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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

American Broadcasting Companies, Inc. ("ABC"), licensee of television station WABC-TV/DT, New York, New York ("WABC"), requests a waiver of the 0.1 percent interference standard used by the Federal Communications Commission's ("Commission") to calculate first-round digital television ("DTV") interference conflicts. Grant of such a waiver would permit post-transition operation of WABC on its current NTSC channel 7 despite 2.8 percent predicted interference to WNJB-TV/DT, New Brunswick, New Jersey ("WNJB"), on channel 8. WPIX, Inc. ("Tribune"), an interested VHF broadcaster in the New York market, supports WABC's waiver request. Grant of the requested waiver is warranted on several grounds.

Grant of a waiver would result in a minimal service loss for WNJB's viewers. The 2.8 percent predicted interference from WABC to WNJB is based on WNJB's maximized facilities authorized under its DTV construction permit. In actuality, the effect of WABC's channel 7 operations on WNJB's viewers will be minimal. WABC's predicted interference occurs primarily in WNJB's maximized DTV service area, where WNJB currently does not provide service. In addition, viewers in WNJB's predicted loss area can receive exactly the same programming WNJB airs from WNJB's sister station, WNJN(TV), Montclair, New Jersey, which provides interference-free coverage of WNJB's loss area. Finally, there are several other noncommercial educational stations that serve WNJB's loss area.

Strict enforcement of the 0.1 percent interference standard would result in an undue hardship for WABC and its viewers compared to the minimal effect of a waiver on WNJB.

Strict enforcement of the Commission's 0.1 percent interference standard—which would prevent WABC from being able to replicate on channel 7—would be highly inequitable in this case.

Such enforcement would result in a windfall to WNJB by virtue of the unnecessary protection of

its maximized DTV service area which: (1) is twice the size of WNJB's analog service area; (2) was not historically served by WNJB; (3) is more than adequately served by WNJB's sister station and other noncommercial educational television stations; and (4) expands WNJB's service area significantly into New York, Pennsylvania, and Connecticut. At the same time, enforcement of the 0.1 percent interference standard would prevent WABC merely from replicating its current NTSC service area on its elected channel 7 facility.

ABC has no reasonable alternatives. WNJB has refused to consider any reasonable engineering and financial solution to the 2.8 percent impermissible interference predicted from WABC, notwithstanding WABC's offer to pay the costs of implementing such solution. Thus, under the Commission's channel election procedures, WABC's alternatives are limited and, if adopted, would substantially impair WABC's service to the public. Reduction of WABC's elected channel 7 facility to fully protect WNJB's maximized facility would diminish WABC's DTV service area significantly below the level required to provide requisite city-grade coverage, resulting in the loss of over-the-air service from New York's only ABC affiliate to millions of people. Similarly, operation of WABC on its allotted DTV channel 45 would result in significant service losses. Moreover, migration of WABC to its allotted DTV channel in the UHF band also would adversely affect the common plan for post-transition VHF broadcasting in New York City shared by several area stations.

Considering the Commission's overall goals for the DTV transition and the special circumstances this case presents, the Commission should find that grant of the requested waiver is appropriate and in the public interest.

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EMERGENCY REQUEST FOR WAIVER

Pursuant to Section 1.3 of the rules of the Federal Communications Commission ("FCC" or "Commission"), American Broadcasting Companies, Inc. ("ABC"), licensee of commercial television station WABC-TV/DT, New York, New York ("WABC"), by its attorneys, respectfully requests a waiver of the 0.1 percent standard the Commission used in the first round of digital television ("DTV") channel elections to calculate interference conflicts between elected in-core NTSC channels and elected in-core DTV channels. WPIX, Inc. ("Tribune"), licensee of station WPIX-TV/DT, New York, New York ("WPIX"), by its attorneys, joins ABC in support of this waiver request as an interested New York City broadcaster, but Tribune is not itself seeking a waiver of the Commission's interference standard.

¹ 47 C.F.R. § 1.3.

As explained below, in the first round of DTV channel elections WABC elected its incore NTSC channel for post-transition DTV operation. However, the Media Bureau disapproved WABC's first-round DTV channel election because the station's elected NTSC channel was predicted to cause 2.8 percent impermissible interference to the elected in-core DTV channel of noncommercial educational station WNJB-DT, New Brunswick, New Jersey ("WNJB"), in excess of the Commission's 0.1 percent interference standard. Accordingly, ABC seeks a waiver of the Commission's 0.1 percent interference standard so that WABC will be permitted to replicate its existing analog facility on its elected NTSC channel post-transition, notwithstanding the impermissible interference that such operation is predicted to cause to WNJB's elected maximized DTV facility.

As discussed below, the impermissible interference that WABC is predicted to cause to WNJB is "immaterial." The interference occurs in an area not currently, or previously, served by WNJB that is more than adequately served by other noncommercial educational television stations, including one of WNJB's sister stations which airs programming that is identical to WNJB's programming. In addition, in light of the harm that WABC, and other New York area broadcasters, will suffer if WABC is forced to migrate to its allotted DTV UHF channel, the 2.8 percent interference predicted to WNJB is "immaterial" in comparison.

Simultaneously with the instant waiver request, ABC is filing FCC Form 383 (First-Round Conflict Decision Channel Election) certifying that ABC has decided not to maintain the first-round in-core NTSC channel election for WABC and has changed its election to the currently authorized in-core DTV channel of WABC.² ABC's Form 383 filing is made without

² See File No. BFRCCT-20050815ADZ. Tribune is filing Form 383 on behalf of WPIX certifying that it has decided to maintain its first-round channel election and that it has resolved WPIX's interference conflicts

prejudice to the instant waiver request and is subject to the Media Bureau's final action on this waiver request. Consequently, pending the Media Bureau's action on the instant waiver request, ABC respectfully asks that the Commission not release WABC's in-core NTSC channel in the second round of DTV channel elections. ABC further requests that it be permitted to amend its Form 383 filing in order to re-elect WABC's in-core NTSC channel in the event the Media Bureau grants this waiver request or if ABC is able to reach a negotiated solution with WNJB.

ABC appreciates the extraordinary nature of the foregoing requests but is left with no reasonable alternative given WNJB present refusal to consider any reasonable engineering and financial solution to the 2.8 percent impermissible interference predicted from WABC. ABC continues to pursue an engineering solution that would be mutually beneficial to WNJB and WABC. However, as of today's deadline for filing first-round conflict decision channel elections (Form 383), the parties still had not reached an agreement. Absent such agreement, the alternative avenues of relief available to WABC under the Commission's prescribed channel election procedures are limited and, as explained below, would result in significantly impaired service to WABC's existing audience. Thus, ABC, with the support of Tribune as an interested VHF broadcaster in the New York market, is forced to seek extraordinary relief from the Media Bureau. Given the impending second round of DTV channel elections and the Commission's desire to hasten the nation's conversion to DTV, ABC and Tribune request that the Media Bureau act expeditiously to resolve this matter in the public's best interest.

(unrelated to noncommercial station WNJB) through negotiated conflict resolution agreements. *See* File No. BFRCCT-20050815ABQ.

I. BACKGROUND

In support of the instant waiver request, provided below is a brief description of the DTV buildout status of ABC's station WABC, Tribune's station WPIX, and noncommercial educational station WNJB.

A. WABC-TV/DT, New York, New York (NTSC 7, DTV 45)

WABC has served the New York market for nearly sixty years, commencing operation on August 10, 1948. WABC is the flagship station of the ABC Television Network and the sole ABC network station serving the New York market. WABC was an early adopter of DTV technology, commencing operation with a full-power DTV facility at the World Trade Center in 2001.³ After losing its original DTV facility on September 11, 2001, WABC constructed two replacement DTV facilities, first at 4 Times Square and more recently at the Empire State Building.⁴ In addition, WABC maintains an auxiliary facility at Alpine Tower in the event of an emergency resulting in the loss of WABC service from other authorized sites.⁵ These replacement and auxiliary facilities have cost ABC millions of dollars to construct. WABC also is pursuing plans to construct a multi-million dollar DTV facility at Freedom Tower, which would replace WABC's main DTV facility lost on September 11, 2001. Thus, WABC has demonstrated repeatedly its long-term commitment to digital over-the-air broadcasting.

WABC is allotted NTSC channel 7 and DTV channel 45. Post-transition ABC seeks to replicate WABC's existing NTSC service area on DTV channel 7. As explained in detail below, post-transition operation of WABC on its allotted DTV channel 45 would not permit WABC to

³ See File No. BLCDT-20010710ABU.

 $^{^4}$ See File Nos. BDSTA-20031024AAW (4 Times Square) and BXSTA-20040728APD (Empire State Building).

⁵ See File No. BMDSTA-20040419ACL.

replicate its analog service area and would have adverse effects on other DTV broadcasters in and around the New York market. Consequently, ABC has certified to the Commission that it will operate WABC with a DTV replication facility and,⁶ in the first round of DTV channel elections, ABC elected WABC's existing NTSC channel 7 for post-transition operation.⁷ However, WABC's first-round election of channel 7 was disapproved by the Media Bureau due to 2.8 percent predicted impermissible interference to the maximized DTV facility of noncommercial educational station WNJB, which has elected DTV channel 8 for post-transition operation.⁸

B. WPIX-TV/DT, New York, New York (NTSC 11, DTV 33)

WPIX is the WB Network affiliate serving the New York market. WPIX is allotted NTSC channel 11 and DTV channel 33. Post-transition Tribune seeks to operate WPIX with a maximized DTV facility on DTV channel 11. Consequently, Tribune has certified to the Commission that it will operate WPIX with the station's currently authorized maximized DTV facility and,⁹ in the first round of DTV channel elections, Tribune selected WPIX's existing NTSC channel 11 for post-transition operation.¹⁰ Tribune's first-round channel election for WPIX was disapproved by the Media Bureau due to interference conflicts unrelated to the channel 8 maximized DTV facility of noncommercial station WNJB. Tribune has resolved

⁶ See File No. BCERCT-20041105BCQ.

⁷ See File No. BFRECT-20050209AKQ.

⁸ See Letter from Clay Pendarvis, Associate Chief, Video Division, Media Bureau, to American Broadcasting Companies, Inc., regarding First-Round Channel Election for WABC (June 7, 2005), attached hereto as Exhibit 13. Almost all of WABC's 2.8 percent predicted impermissible interference to WNJB is masked by interference to WNJB from other sources. For example, station WWOR-TV, Secaucus, NJ, licensed to Fox Television Stations, Inc., also had its first-round channel election disapproved due to 5.2 percent predicted impermissible interference to WNJB. Thus, WNJB will receive interference irrespective of WABC's channel 7 operations.

⁹ See File No. BCERCT-20041105AWK

¹⁰ See File No. BFRECT-20050210ATK.

WPIX's interference conflicts through negotiated conflict resolution agreements with the affected stations and therefore has decided to maintain its first-round election for WPIX on channel 11.

Nevertheless, Tribune has an interest in the resolution of WABC's channel election conflict with WNJB. Like ABC, Tribune seeks to use its station's analog VHF channel post-transition as part of a common plan for digital VHF broadcasting in the New York market. In the event WABC is forced to abandon its elected VHF DTV channel in favor of its allotted UHF DTV, WPIX will likely be the only New York City commercial television station operating on a VHF channel post-transition given WNJB's present refusal to resolve WABC's interference conflict in a reasonable manner.

C. WNJB-TV/DT, New Brunswick, New Jersey (NTSC 58, DTV 8)

WNJB is a noncommercial educational station licensed in the State of New Jersey to the New Jersey Public Broadcasting Authority ("NJPBA") and chartered to serve the State of New Jersey. WNJB is a PBS network affiliate and also airs local programming originally produced and broadcast primarily for a New Jersey audience. WNJB is part of a network of public television stations licensed to and owned and operated by NJPBA. In addition to WNJB, the NJPBA network television stations are: WNJN(TV), Montclair, NJ; WNJS(TV), Camden, NJ;

¹¹ See, e.g., File No. BEPDT-19990625KE at Public Interest Showing ("NJPBA was established pursuant to the New Jersey Public Broadcasting Authority Act of 1968 for the purpose of creating and operating a statewide system of noncommercial educational broadcasting stations within the State. Consistent with its broad statutory responsibilities, NJPBA operates a statewide public television network providing cardinal public television services to the residents of New Jersey.").

and WNJT(TV), Trenton, NJ. 12 The NJPBA network television stations air exactly the same PBS and locally produced programming. 13

WNJB operates on NTSC channel 58 and initially was allotted DTV channel 18.

However, through a DTV channel swap agreement with commercial station WMBC-TV/DT,

Newton, New Jersey ("WMBC"), WNJB obtained WMBC's channel 8 DTV allotment. WNJB

presently holds a construction permit for a maximized DTV facility on its newly-allotted DTV

channel 8, which is the channel NJPBA has elected for post-transition operation of WNJB. NJPBA has not yet fully built out WNJB's maximized DTV facility on channel 8. Currently,

WNJB operates with a reduced-power DTV facility pursuant to special temporary authorization ("STA"). 17

ABC and Tribune respect WNJB's charter as a public television station and recognize the importance of the public-interest programming WNJB airs. Through the years, WABC and WPIX have enjoyed a positive working relationship with WNJB. Indeed, following the loss of WABC's facilities on September 11, 2001, WNJB carried WABC programming for several days. ABC, with the support of Tribune, therefore, regrets that it is forced to make this waiver request as a measure of last resort and holds out hope that this matter can be resolved through a mutually beneficial negotiated agreement with WNJB. However, as of today's Form 383 filing deadline, WNJB has refused to consider a reasonable solution to the immaterial interference conflict with

¹² A list of the NJPBA network television stations is available at http://www.njn.net/television/channels.

¹³ Exhibit 8 hereto provides a sampling of the local programming aired by all NJPBA network television stations, which also is available at http://www.njn.net/television.

¹⁴ See File No. BPEDT-19990625KE.

¹⁵ See File No. BMPEDT-20000425AAM.

¹⁶ See File No. BFREET-20050209AJO.

 $^{^{17}}$ See File No. BMDSTA-20041208ABR, as extended through Feb. 3, 2006, by File No. BEDSTA-20050613AHB.

WABC. Thus, ABC is left with no reasonable alternative other than to seek this extraordinary relief from the Media Bureau.

II. REQUEST FOR WAIVER

In the *Second DTV Periodic Review*, the Commission determined that an interference conflict arises from a DTV channel election when an elected in-core NTSC channel is predicted to cause more than 0.1 percent impermissible interference to an elected in-core DTV channel. ABC respectfully requests a waiver of this 0.1 percent interference standard as it applies to the in-core NTSC channel election of WABC. Such a waiver will permit WABC to operate its desired replication facility on channel 7 post-transition, notwithstanding the immaterial amount of impermissible interference predicted to WNJB's unbuilt maximized DTV facility on channel 8.

The Commission may grant a waiver of its rules for good cause shown.¹⁹ Specifically, the Commission has discretion to waive a rule where "particular facts would make strict compliance with the rule inconsistent with the public interest" and "special circumstances warrant a deviation from the general rule."²⁰ In evaluating a request for waiver, the Commission should "take into account considerations of hardship, equity, or more effective implementation of overall policy."²¹ In addition, the Commission should consider whether "application of the rule would be inequitable, unduly burdensome or contrary to public interest, or the applicant has no

 $^{^{18}}$ See Second Periodic Review of the Commission's Rules and Policies Affecting the Conversion to Digital Television, Report and Order, 19 FCC Rcd 18279, § 56 (2004) ("Second DTV Periodic Review").

¹⁹ 47 C.F.R. § 1.3.

²⁰ Northeast Cellular Telephone Co. v. FCC, 897 F.2d 1164, 1166 (D.C. Cir. 1990), citing WAIT Radio v. FCC, 418 F.2d 1153, 1159 (D.C. Cir. 1969).

²¹ WAIT Radio v. FCC, 418 F.2d 1153, 1159 (D.C. Cir. 1969).

reasonable alternative."²² As demonstrated below, the criteria for granting the instant request for waiver of the Commission's 0.1 percent interference standard are met.

A. WAIVER OF THE INTERFERENCE STANDARD IS IN THE PUBLIC INTEREST.

Grant of a waiver in this case is in the public interest because a waiver would not result in any actual loss of service to WNJB's viewers and ensure that WABC continues to provide reliable over-the-air television service to its current viewers post-transition. Further, the equities of this case warrant the grant of a waiver because strict enforcement of the Commission's interference standard would result in a disproportionate and unnecessary windfall to WNJB at the expense of WABC's existing viewers. Considering the Commission's overall goals for the DTV transition and the special circumstances this case presents, the Commission should find that grant of the requested waiver is appropriate and in the public interest.

1. WNJB's Service Loss Will Not Harm the Public Because It Occurs in an Area Historically Unserved by WNJB and More than Adequately Served by Other Noncommercial Educational Stations.

The Media Bureau disapproved ABC's first-round channel election because WABC's DTV facility on its elected channel 7 is predicted to cause 2.8 percent impermissible interference to WNJB's maximized DTV facility on channel 8. The predicted service loss to WNJB will not harm the public and is immaterial for several reasons. First, the majority of WABC's predicted interference to WNJB occurs in areas not currently served by WNJB. As discussed more fully below, the Commission has authorized WNJB to construct a maximized DTV facility that effectively will double WNJB's existing service area. As a result, the protected contour of WNJB's maximized DTV facility extends into areas where WNJB has never provided over-the-

²² 47 C.F.R. § 1.925(b)(3).

²³ See File No. BMPEDT-20000425AAM.

air service. The predicted impermissible interference to WNJB from WABC occurs primarily in WNJB's extended DTV service area, where WNJB does not currently provide service.²⁴ Thus, any viewers affected by WNJB's service loss are not currently served over the air by WNJB and therefore have no expectation of continued service from WNJB.

Further, even if viewers in WNJB's loss area had an expectation of continued service from WNJB, they can, and already do, obtain identical service from another source. As a member of the network of noncommercial educational television stations licensed to and owned and operated by NJPBA, 25 WNJB airs PBS and locally produced programming that is identical to the programming aired by every other NJPBA network station. Moreover, the service areas of the NJPBA network stations overlap considerably. In the case of WNJB, another NJPBA network station, WNJN(TV), Montclair, New Jersey ("WNJN"), provides redundant service to all of WNJB's maximized DTV service area in New York state. Consequently, the area where WNJB is predicted to lose service from WABC interference is encompassed entirely by the overlapping service areas of WNJB and its sister station WNJN. Thus, viewers within WNJB's loss area will continue to, and already do, receive exactly the same programming WNJB offers from its sister station WNJN interference-free.

In addition to the redundant service provided by WNJN, there are several other noncommercial educational television stations that will continue to serve WNJB's loss area.

²⁴ See Exhibit 1 hereto.

²⁵ A list of the NJPBA network television stations is available at http://www.njn.net/television/channels.

²⁶ Exhibit 8 hereto provides a sampling of the local programming aired by all NJPBA network television stations, which also is available at http://www.njn.net/television.

²⁷ See Exhibit 2 hereto.

²⁸ See Exhibit 3 hereto.

²⁹ Like WNJB, WNJN has certified to the Commission that it will operate its post-transition DTV station at maximized facilities. *See* File No. BCERET-20041103AFI. Thus, post-transition WNJN will serve an even greater area than it currently serves. In addition, the Commission has approved WNJN's first-round channel election on channel 51, which results in no interference conflict from WABC. *See* File No. BFREET-20050209AJR.

Specifically, noncommercial stations WNYE-TV, New York, New York ("WNYE"), and WNET(TV), Newark, New Jersey ("WNET"), both also PBS affiliates, provide coverage to WNJB's loss area. As a New Jersey licensee, WNET airs significant amounts of New Jersey-oriented programming and also local programming that is responsive to issues uniquely affecting New York viewers, such as *New York Voices*, *Reel New York*, and *The Walking Tours*, a series that focuses on both New York and Newark neighborhoods. WNYE offers similar New York-oriented programming, such as *New York 360*, *Taste NY*, and *New York Secrets*. Consequently, viewers in WNJB's loss area will continue to be served more than adequately by other noncommercial educational television stations. Thus, there is no net benefit to the public in protecting WNJB's loss area attributable to WABC's channel 7 operations. To the contrary, as discussed below, it would result in significantly impaired service to WABC's viewers.

2. Strict Enforcement of the Interference Standard Will Impose an Undue Hardship on WABC.

Strict enforcement of the Commission's interference standard to protect unnecessarily WNJB's unbuilt maximized DTV facility will severely impair WABC's ability to continue to serve its existing viewers. WABC is prevented from attempting to replicate its analog service area on its elected channel 7 facility post-transition due to predicted impermissible interference to WNJB's elected channel 8 DTV maximized facility. As discussed above, such interference occurs in an area not historically served by WNJB and more than adequately served by other noncommercial stations, most importantly WNJB's sister station WNJN. Nevertheless, the Media Bureau has disapproved WABC's first-round channel election, resulting in a needless windfall to WNJB at the expense of WABC's replication facility. This outcome is contrary to the

³⁰ See Exhibit 4 hereto.

Commission's goals for the DTV transition and incompatible with the Communications Act's mandate for the fair, efficient, and equitable distribution of television licenses.

The Commission has authorized WNJB to construct a maximized DTV facility that affords WNJB a protected DTV service area far in excess of its existing analog service area.³¹ WNJB's current Grade B service area encompasses 9397.3 square kilometers and 13,018,296 persons.³² In contrast, the noise-limited contour of WNJB's authorized, yet still unconstructed, maximized DTV facility will encompass 19,242.5 square kilometers and 16,186,875 persons.³³ This represents a 104 percent increase in WNJB's service area and a population gain of nearly 3.2 million persons. Moreover, much of WNJB's population gains will be in New York City area communities never before served by WNJB.³⁴ In comparison, post-transition WABC seeks only to replicate its existing analog service area but is prevented from doing so due to the immaterial interference predicted to WNJB's still unbuilt maximized DTV facility.

It is a gross inequity to allow what is essentially an out-of-market noncommercial television station like WNJB to increase its service area twofold yet deny a commercial television station like WABC, which has served New York for decades, the opportunity to simply replicate its analog service area. WNJB is an educational television station licensed to a New Jersey community, chartered to serve the educational needs of New Jersey residents, and funded in part by New Jersey taxpayer dollars. Historically, WNJB has served principally New Jersey communities and airs programming originally produced and broadcast primarily for a New Jersey audience. Examples of WNJB's New Jersey-oriented programs include *Classroom Close*-

³¹ See File No. BMPEDT-20000425AAM.

³² See DTV Channel Election Information and First Round Election Filing Deadline, Public Notice, DA 03-3922 at Table I (Station Assignment and Service Information) (rel. Dec. 21, 2004).

³³ See id.

³⁴ See Exhibit 5 hereto.

up: NJ; New Jersey Jobs; New Jersey Network News; Caucus: New Jersey; NJ Works; Here Comes the Weekend (covering New Jersey public events); and Images/Imagenes (covering issues facing New Jersey's Latin American community).³⁵ While WNJB airs other general interest programming, none of WNJB's local programming is directed specifically to a New York audience. In sum, WNJB is a New Jersey station.

In comparison, WABC has a long history of serving New York viewers and airs programming specifically responsive to the needs of such viewers. WABC produces 32 hours of live, local news per week, supported by a staff of 180 people and a budget of 40 million dollars per year. WABC also airs public interest programming originally produced and broadcast for a New York area audience, such as *Long Island Viewpoint*, *Like It Is*, *Tiempo*, and *Eyewitness News Up Close*. WABC produces and airs approximately ten program-length specials annually on issues of local interest. In contrast, the primary focus of WNJB's programming is New Jersey.

Nevertheless, the protected service area of WNJB's maximized DTV facility extends well beyond the New Jersey border. Well over half the persons WNJB is authorized to serve with its maximized DTV facility are located in New York (54.9%), Pennsylvania (9.2%), and Connecticut (0.2%). As a result, WNJB will gain millions of viewers in areas the station has never before served. In order to fully protect WNJB's maximized DTV facility, WABC is left only with alternatives that would severely impair its service to the public, resulting in the loss of hundreds of thousands of over-the-air viewers. This outcome is highly inequitable to WABC and is entirely inconsistent with the Commission's primary goals for the DTV transition—to allow

³⁵ Exhibit 8 hereto provides a sampling of the local programming aired by WNJB and other NJPBA network television stations, which also is available at http://www.njn.net/television.

³⁶ See Exhibit 6 hereto.

stations to replicate their analog service areas so that "broadcasters have the ability to reach the audiences that they now serve" and "viewers continue to have access to the stations that they are accustomed to receiving over the air." 38

To allow WNJB to extend its service area to such an extent, at the expense of effective service by WABC, also is incompatible with the mandate of section 307(b) of the Communications Act.³⁹ That section requires the Commission to "make such distribution of [television] licenses, frequencies, hours of operation, and of power among the several States and communities as to provide a fair, efficient, and equitable distribution of [television] service to each of the same."⁴⁰ There is nothing fair, efficient, or equitable about fully protecting WNJB's maximized DTV allotment. To the contrary, it is an unnecessary windfall to WNJB that potentially will cause hundreds of thousands of New York area viewers to lose over-the-air access to a major commercial network station.

3. Full Protection of WNJB's Unbuilt Maximized DTV Facility Is Unwarranted.

Full protection of WNJB's maximized DTV facility is unwarranted because NJPBA has yet to fully build out WNJB's maximized DTV facility and there is no assurance that NJPBA will ever do so. More than four years after obtaining a maximized DTV construction permit for WNJB, 41 NJPBA still operates WNJB's digital facility pursuant to a reduced-power STA. 42

³⁷ Advanced Television Systems and Their Impact Upon the Existing Television Broadcast Service, Sixth Report and Order, 12 FCC Rcd 14588, ¶ 29 (1997) (subsequent history omitted); see also Review of the Commission's Rules and Policies Affecting the Conversion to Digital Television, 16 FCC Rcd 20594, ¶ 20 (2001) ("We established NTSC service replication as a goal in the creation of the initial DTV Table of Allotments. Each DTV channel allotment was chosen to best allow its DTV service to match the Grade B service contour of the NTSC station with which it was paired.").

³⁸ Second DTV Periodic Review at ¶ 72.

³⁹ 47 U.S.C. § 307(b).

⁴⁰ *Id*.

⁴¹ WNJB's application for a construction permit on channel 8 may not have complied with the Commission's procedures in place at the time for DTV channel swaps. WNJB obtained its channel 8 DTV allotment through a channel swap agreement with commercial station WMBC-TV, Newton, NJ. *See* File No.

Given that WNJB is subject to the July 1, 2006 "use-it-or-lose-it" deadline, ⁴³ NJPBA has only ten months to obtain funding for, construct, commence operation with, and license WNJB's full, authorized DTV facility in order to preserve WNJB's maximized service area. ⁴⁴ NJPBA already has failed to accomplish this in the four years since obtaining a maximized DTV construction permit for WNJB. There is no assurance that NJPBA will be able to fully build out WNJB's authorized DTV facility prior to WNJB's upcoming "use-it-or-lose-it" deadline.

B. WNJB HAS REFUSED TO NEGOTIATE A REASONABLE SOLUTION.

Grant of the instant waiver request also is appropriate in light of WNJB's present refusal to consider a reasonable negotiated solution to the interference conflict with WABC. WABC has formally approached WNJB to negotiate an agreement that would substantially eliminate WABC's predicted impermissible interference to WNJB. WABC's proposed engineering solution would dramatically reduce areas of interference while allowing WNJB and WABC to continue to serve substantially their existing audiences. In particular, by means of a power reduction and the installation of a directional antenna, WNJB could eliminate the great majority of the interference caused by WABC's operations on DTV channel 7. Admittedly, WNJB would lose coverage in its expanded DTV service area, but the loss area will continue to be served by

BPEDT-990625KE. One requirement for a channel swap specifies that any proposed alternate antenna location must be within five kilometers of the station's DTV allotted reference coordinates. *See* 47 C.F.R. § 73.622(d)(1). WNJB's substitute channel 8 facilities in New Brunswick exceeded this distance by over 35 kilometers. Thus, WNJB's application for a construction permit on channel 8 appears to be inconsistent with the Commission's procedures for DTV allotments.

⁴² *See* File No. BMDSTA-20041208ABR (granted Dec. 27, 2004), as extended through Feb. 3, 2006, by File No. BEDSTA-20050613AHB.

⁴³ See Second DTV Periodic Review at \P 78.

⁴⁴ *See id.* at ¶ 85.

⁴⁵ *See* First Letter from Mr. David J. Davis, President and General Manager, WABC-TV, to Ms. Elizabeth G. Christopherson, Executive Director, New Jersey Public Television and Radio (Aug. 2, 2005), attached hereto as Exhibit 9.

WNJB's sister station WNJN. WABC also has offered to pay WNJB's costs to implement this engineering solution, including the costs of purchasing and installing a directional antenna.

WNJB has rejected any proposal that would result in lesser coverage than that currently authorized for WNJB's still unbuilt maximized DTV facility. 46 Instead, WNJB has proposed that WABC pay the engineering, legal, maintenance, and operational costs of relocating WNJB to a co-located site with WABC in New York City, "plus additional appropriate compensation" to WNJB. 47 In addition, WNJB has stated that it will accept such a co-location proposal only on the condition that it would result in enhanced DTV coverage for WNJB above and beyond the maximized coverage WNJB already enjoys. WNJB's position is unreasonable and demonstrates that WNJB's goal is only to expand further its already maximized DTV service area at WABC's expense. WNJB's stance is entirely inconsistent with the Commission's goal for the DTV transition—to allot DTV facilities that will permit stations to replicate their existing service areas and thereby ensure viewers do not lose over-the-air reception of the stations they currently receive.

Implementation of WNJB's counterproposal would result in WNJB's DTV facility serving communities as far away as Connecticut, well beyond WNJB's existing and currently authorized service areas. In addition, WNJB's counterproposal seeks to shift the burden to WABC to construct and maintain WNJB's DTV facility in perpetuity. WNJB's demands demonstrate its desire to exploit the immaterial interference conflict that prevents WABC from building its elected DTV replication facility. The Commission should not reward WNJB's attempt to take advantage of this situation by continuing to fully protect WNJB's maximized

⁴⁶ See First Letter from Ms. Elizabeth G. Christopherson, Executive Director, New Jersey Public Television and Radio, to Mr. David J. Davis, President and General Manager, WABC-TV (Aug. 4, 2005), attached hereto as Exhibit 10.

⁴⁷ See id.

DTV facility. Rather, the Commission should grant the requested relief so that WABC will be permitted to place its elected DTV replication facility in operation.

WABC continues to pursue an engineering solution that will minimize interference to WNJB from WABC while preserving WNJB's maximized service area to the greatest extent.⁴⁸ The parties are continuing their discussions. However, as of today's filing deadline for Form 383 first-round conflict decision channel elections, the parties still had not reached a mutually agreeable solution.⁴⁹ Accordingly, ABC is forced to seek extraordinary relief from the Media Bureau through this waiver request.

C. ABC HAS NO REASONABLE ALTERNATIVES.

Waiver of the Commission's 0.1 percent interference standard also is warranted because ABC is left with no reasonable alternative for post-transition DTV operation of WABC. Absent an agreement with WNJB, ABC has two possible options remaining: (1) reduce substantially WABC's elected DTV replication facility to accommodate WNJB's maximized DTV facility; or (2) change WABC's channel election to its allotted in-core DTV UHF channel which offers reduced coverage and would have adverse consequences on VHF broadcasting in the New York market. As explained below, neither of these options is a reasonable alternative for ABC and, if either were adopted, it would result in significant harm to the public.

⁴⁸ See Second Letter from Mr. David J. Davis, President and General Manager, WABC-TV, to Ms. Elizabeth G. Christopherson, Executive Director, New Jersey Public Television and Radio (Aug. 10, 2005), attached hereto as Exhibit 11.

⁴⁹ *See* Second Letter from Ms. Elizabeth G. Christopherson, Executive Director, New Jersey Public Television and Radio, to Mr. David J. Davis, President and General Manager, WABC-TV (Aug. 13, 2005), attached hereto as Exhibit 12.

1. ABC Should Not Be Required to Reduce WABC's Elected DTV Facilities to Protect WNJB's Unbuilt Maximized DTV Facility.

In order to protect WNJB's maximized DTV facility to within the Commission's 0.1 percent interference standard, ABC would be required to reduce WABC's elected DTV replication facilities substantially. Specifically, WABC would have to eliminate all channel 7 DTV signals in the direction predicted to cause interference to WNJB's channel 8 maximized DTV facility. Such a facility reduction would diminish WABC's DTV service area significantly below the level required for WABC to provide city-grade coverage to its community of license New York City. Thus, if WABC were to fully protect WNJB's unbuilt maximized DTV facility, millions of current WABC viewers would lose over-the-air service from the sole ABC network affiliate in the New York market, all to protect WNJB's redundant and still nonexistent service. Plainly, this result is contrary to the public interest.

2. ABC Should Not Be Required to Elect WABC's Allotted In-Core DTV UHF Channel.

ABC is unable to change WABC's channel election to its allotted in-core DTV UHF channel 45 without substantially impairing service to the public. Specifically, WABC would suffer significant population losses on channel 45 as a result of more troublesome interference conflicts than the present conflict with WNJB. Operation of WABC on DTV channel 45 would give rise to at least two known interference conflicts with stations in adjacent markets: (1) commercial station WOLF-TV, Hazleton, Pennsylvania ("WOLF"), which holds a construction

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⁵⁰ As explained above, simultaneously with the instant waiver request, ABC is filing FCC Form 383 (First-Round Conflict Decision Channel Election) certifying that ABC has decided not to maintain its first-round in-core NTSC channel election for WABC and has changed its election to the currently authorized in-core DTV channel of WABC. *See* File No. BFRCCT-20050815ADZ. ABC's Form 383 filing is made without prejudice to the instant waiver request and is subject to the Media Bureau's final action on this waiver request.

permit for a DTV replication facility on channel 45;⁵¹ and (2) noncommercial station WEDH(TV), Hartford, Connecticut ("WEDH"), which has applied for a construction permit for a maximized DTV facility on substitute channel 45.⁵² In combination, the DTV operations of WEDH and WOLF on channel 45 are predicted to cause WABC a loss of nearly half a million persons.⁵³

WABC's forced migration to its UHF channel also will have adverse secondary effects on other DTV broadcasters in the New York market and possibly the entire Northeast Corridor. In the aftermath of September 11th, WABC shares common facilities with other VHF broadcasters in New York City, including: (1) Tribune's station WPIX, which operates on NTSC channel 11;⁵⁴ (2) WWOR-TV, Secaucus, New Jersey ("WWOR"), licensed to Fox Television Stations, Inc. ("Fox"), which operates on NTSC channel 9;⁵⁵ and (3) WNET(TV), Newark, New Jersey ("WNET"), licensed to Educational Broadcasting Corporation ("EBC"),

⁵¹ See File No. BMPCDT-20050106AAO. The Commission has approved WOLF's first-round channel election on channel 45. See File No. BFRECT-20050210AHD.

⁵² See File No. BPEDT-19990113KG. DTV channel 45 became available to WEDH after its sister Connecticut Public Broadcasting station WEDN(TV), Norwich, Connecticut ("WEDN"), petitioned the Commission to substitute WEDN's allotted DTV channel 45 with DTV channel 9. See Amendment of Section 73.622(b), Table of Allotments, Digital Television Broadcast Stations (Norwich, Connecticut), Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, 19 FCC Rcd 8603 (2004). ABC has opposed WEDH and WEDN's channel 45 swap and the allotment of channel 9 to WEDN. In addition to the interference that operation of WEDH on channel 45 would cause to WABC's DTV channel 45 allotment, operation of WEDN on channel 9 in Norwich is predicted to cause impermissible interference to WABC's NTSC channel 7 allotment. The Commission has approved WEDH's first-round channel election on channel 45. See File No. BFREET- 20050209ACP.

⁵³ See Exhibit 7 hereto.

⁵⁴ Tribune, which has joined in support of the instant waiver request, plans to operate WPIX on VHF channel 11 post-transition. *See* File No. BFRECT-20050210ATK. Tribune's first-round channel 11 election for WPIX was disapproved by the Media Bureau due to interference conflicts unrelated to WNJB. Tribune has resolved WPIX's interference conflicts through negotiated conflict resolution agreements with the affected stations and therefore has decided to maintain its first-round election for WPIX on channel 11. *See* File No. BFRCCT-20050815ABQ.

⁵⁵ Fox had elected to operate WWOR on VHF channel 9, but its first-round channel election was disapproved, also due to impermissible interference to WNJB. *See* Letter from Mr. Clay Pendarvis, Associate Chief, Video Division, Media Bureau, to Fox Television Stations, Inc., regarding First-Round Channel Election for WWOR (June 7, 2005)

which operates on NTSC channel 13.⁵⁶ These broadcasters have spent years developing a common plan for digital VHF service in the New York market in the post-transition era. The current shared VHF antenna system at the Empire State Building took years to develop at considerable expense. This system would be greatly impaired if ABC and Fox, two of the largest New York area broadcasters, are forced to abandon their elected VHF facilities in favor of their allotted UHF channels due to their interference conflicts with WNJB.

Without the presence and support of WABC and WWOR in the VHF band, the other VHF broadcasters also may be forced to abandon the VHF band or face the possibility of operating one of the few remaining VHF facilities in New York City. As a result, there would be few, if any, VHF broadcasters in the nation's largest television market post-transition, a startling outcome in New York City, which has been served by seven VHF stations for nearly 50 years. Migration of most of the New York City VHF broadcasters to the UHF band also could have adverse effects on the planned DTV operations of stations in markets adjacent to New York, possibly resulting in a domino effect of interference conflicts arising in the Northeast Corridor. Such an outcome is not warranted and can easily be avoided if WNJB would agree to come to a reasonable negotiated solution to the immaterial interference conflict with WABC.

Lastly, because of the superior propagation and other technical properties of VHF signals, WABC's migration to its allotted UHF DTV channels would result in inferior over-the-air service to the public. This is particularly true in a major metropolitan area like New York City, where man-made structures are likely to impede broadcast signals and viewers generally rely on indoor antennas, rather than rooftop antennas, for reception. In particular, VHF signals are known to have improved building penetration and indoor reception performance over UHF

⁵⁶ EBC plans to operate WNET on VHF channel 13 post-transition. See File No. BFREET-20050210AHI.

signals, which is important in a major urban center like New York City. Thus, a VHF signal is the best way to continue providing service to viewers that rely exclusively on over-the-air reception for news and information. In sum, WABC's elected DTV VHF channel facility will provide better service than the station's allotted DTV UHF channel.

III. CONCLUSION

WABC's elected channel 7 DTV facility offers ABC the best opportunity to continue to serve its existing audience. The Media Bureau already has afforded television broadcasters with out-of-core DTV allotments extraordinary relief from the stringent 0.1 percent interference standard. Because of the hardships such one-in-core broadcasters face in finding a post-transition DTV channel, they are permitted to cause up to 20 times more interference to other stations. The same principle applies in this case. WABC faces an insurmountable interference conflict given WNJB's present refusal to come to a mutually agreeable engineering solution. As a result, ABC is left only with alternatives that will significantly impair WABC's DTV service post-transition. This outcome is highly inequitable, contrary to the public interest, and inconsistent with the Commission's goals for the DTV transition.

⁵⁷ See DTV Channel Election: First Round Conflict Decision Extension and Guidelines for Interference Conflict Analysis, Public Notice, DA 05-2233 (rel. Aug. 2, 2005).

For the foregoing reasons, the Media Bureau should waive the 0.1% interference standard in the case of the impermissible interference predicted to WNJB's maximized DTV facility from WABC's elected DTV replication facilities.

Respectfully submitted,

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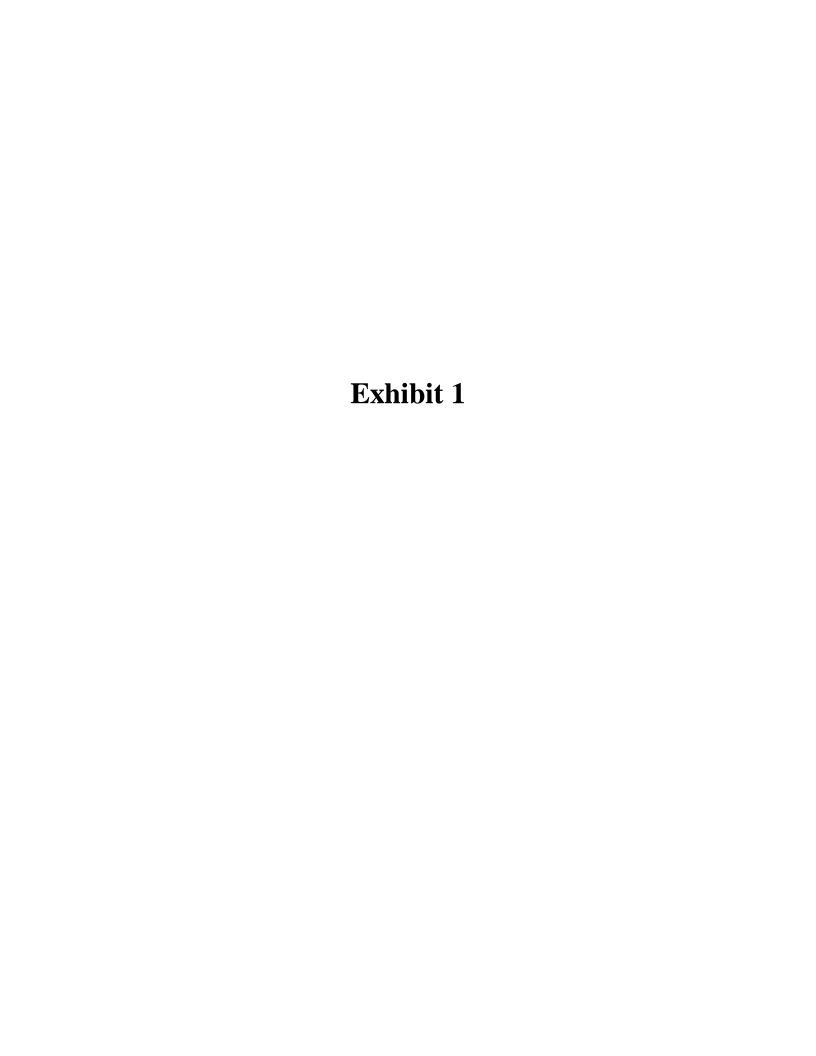
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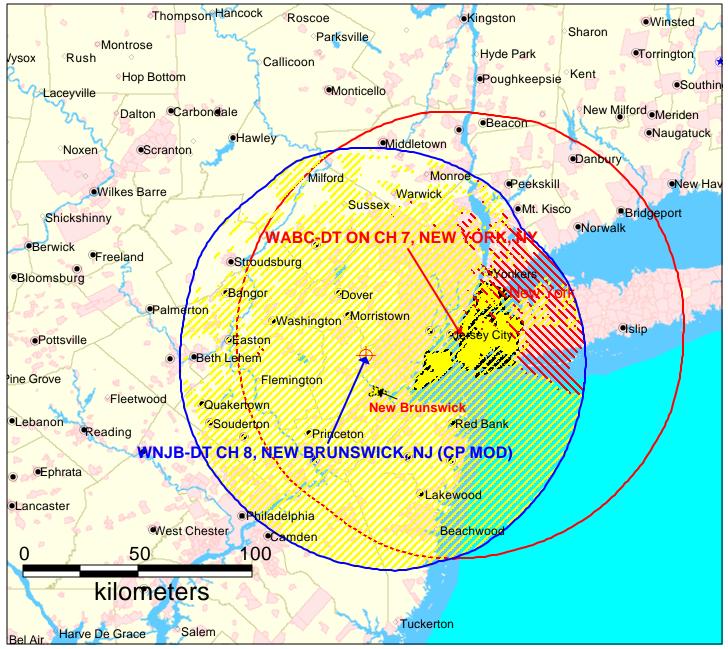
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LIST OF EXHIBITS

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5	Map comparing WNJB-TV Grade B contour with WNJB-DT8 maximized DTV contour
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PREDICTED COVERAGE CONTOURS WNJB-DT CH. 8, NEW BURNSWICK, NJ (CP MOD) 20.2 kW, 212 m HAAT, 278 m RCAMSL, 32754 D-ANT

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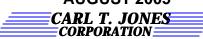
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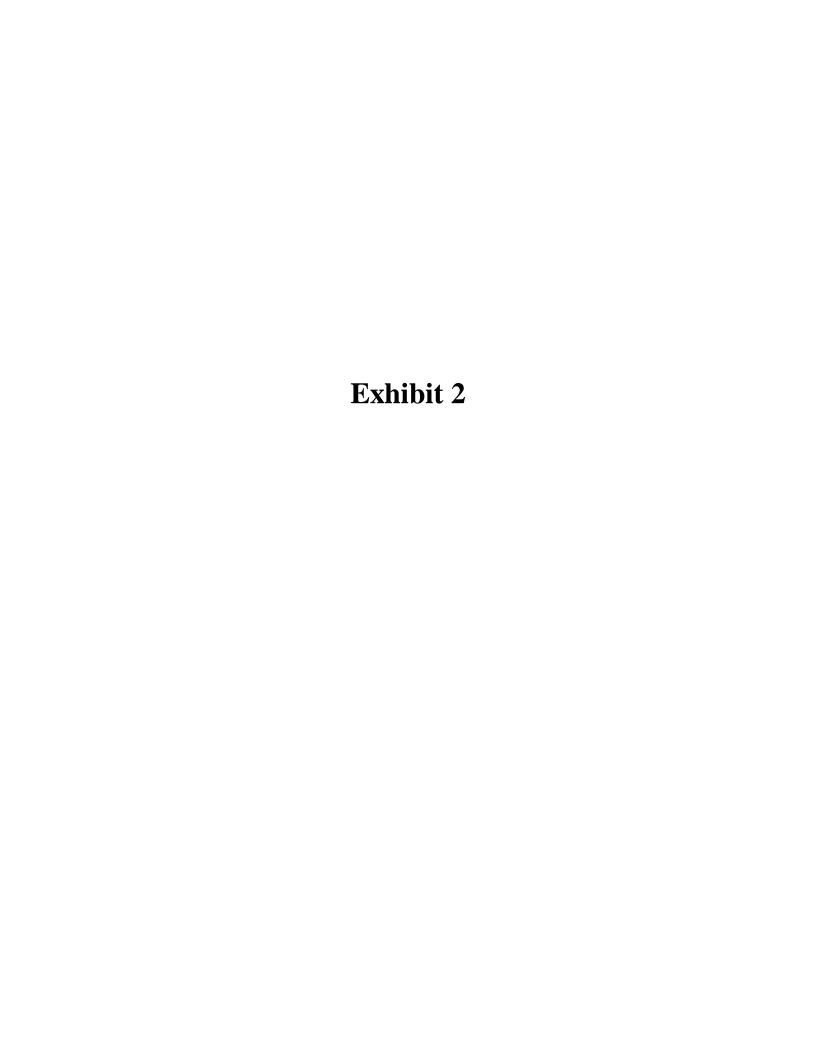
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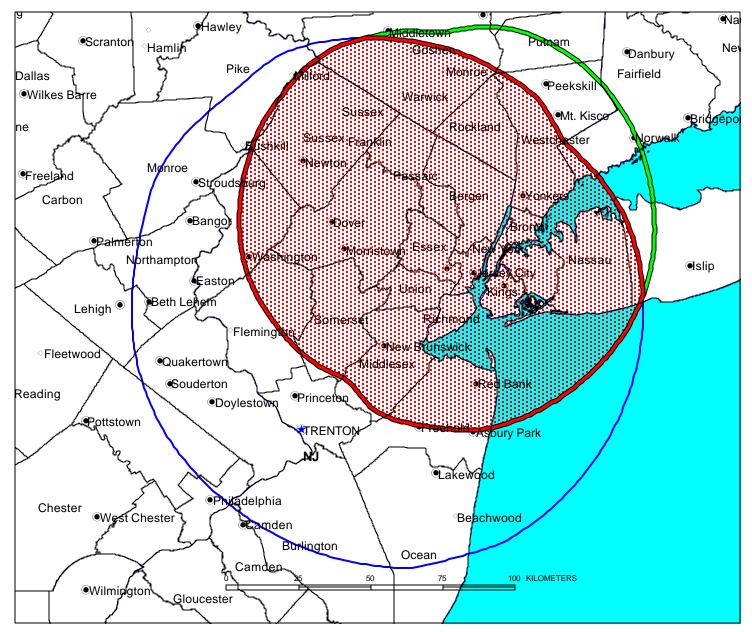
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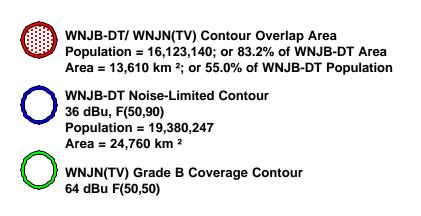
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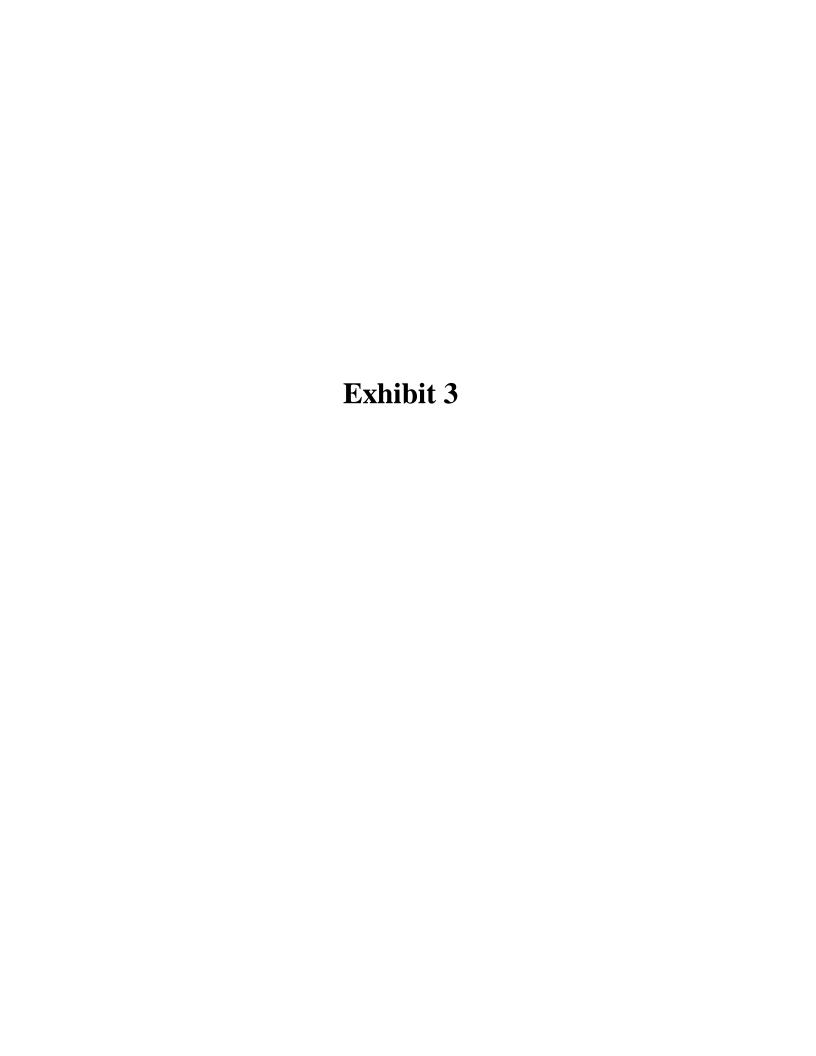


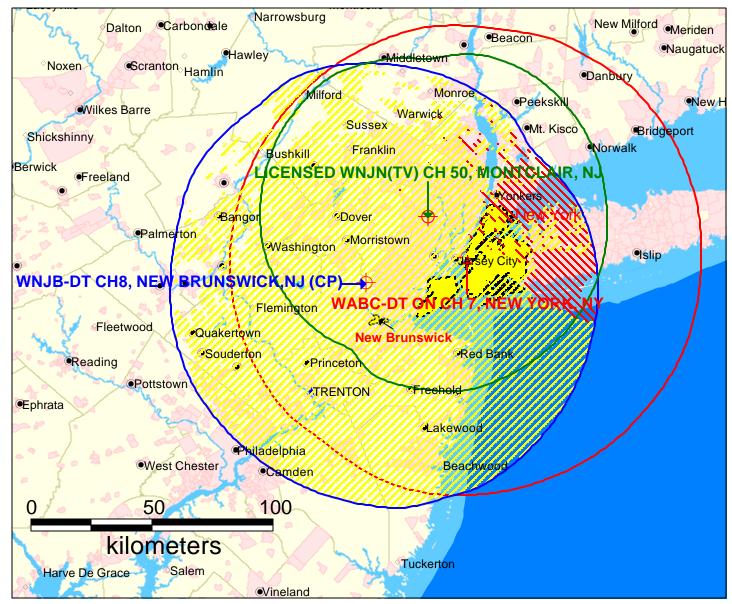
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^{*} Population Couts Based on Total Population INside Contour Considering 2000 Census Data.



County	Population
Bergen, NJ	884,118
Bronx, NY	1,332,711
Essex, NJ	793,633
Fairfield, CT	35,326
Hudson, NJ	608,975
Hunterdon, NJ	59,097
Kings, NY	2,465,896
Middlesex, NJ	723,638
Monmouth, NJ	421,045
Morris, NJ	470,212
Nassau, NY	1,336,799
New York, NY	1,537,066
Orange, NY	129,521
Passaic, NJ	489,049
Pike, PA	1,994
Putnam, NY	56
Queens, NY	2,224,917
Richmond, NY	443,704
Rockland, NY	286,753
Somerset, NJ	290,249
Suffolk, NY	72,094
Sussex, NJ	144,008
Union, NJ	522,541
Warren, NJ	53,116
Westchester, NY	796,622
WNJB-N Overlap Area Pop	16,123,140





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243 mHAAT, 305 mRCAMSL

WABC-DT on Ch 7 , NEW YORK, NY Predicted Principal Community Coverage F(50,90) - 36 dBu - 3.2 kW- 491 mHAAT, 502 mRCAMSL - D45NYNEW_YORK__07



Total Pop Count in INTERFERENCE AREA (only inside WNJB-DT's 36 dBu)due to WABC-DT on Ch 7 , NEW YORK, NY 3.2 kW- 491 mHAAT, 502 mRCAMSL - D45NYNEW_YORK__07

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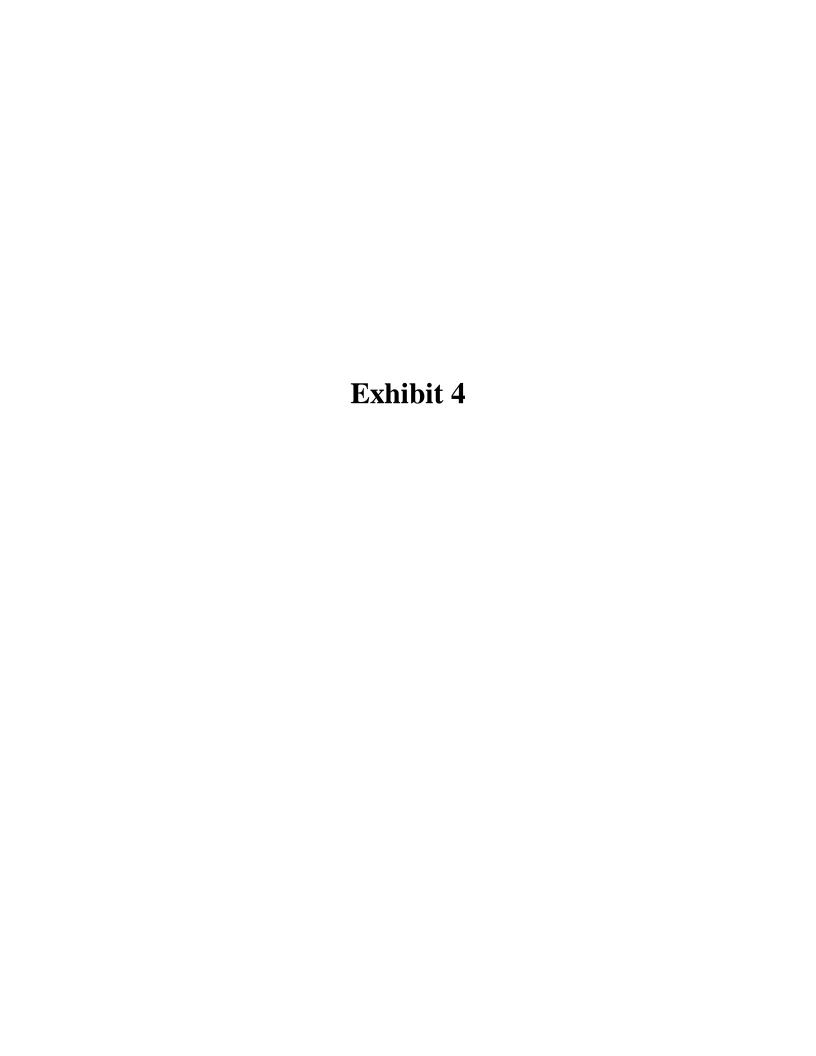
County	Population
Bergen, NJ	5,027
Bronx, NY	483,959
Fairfield, CT	24,061
Hudson, NJ	5,083
Hunterdon, NJ	315
Nassau, NY	983,880
New York, NY	288,913
Orange, NY	0
Passaic, NJ	307
Queens, NY	271,040
Rockland, NY	30,859
Suffolk, NY	61,970
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Westchester, NY	518,214
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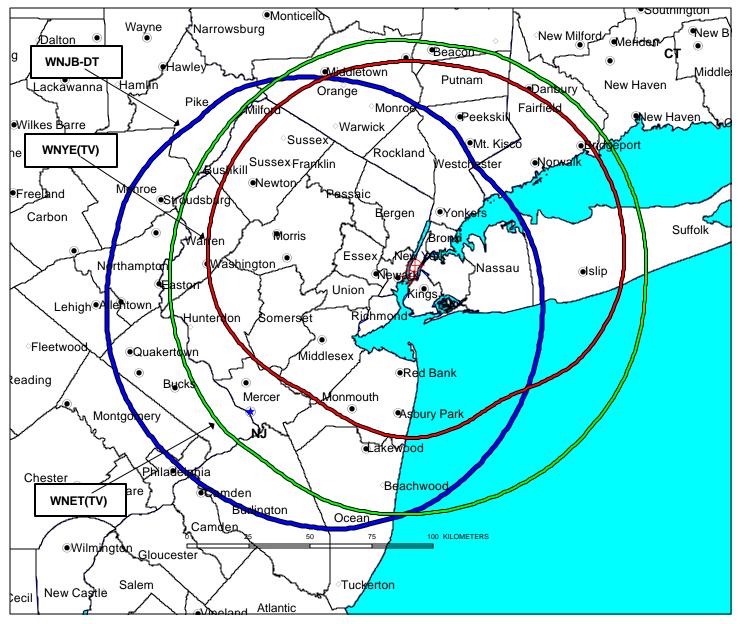
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	Total Pop Count	15,837,251





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WNYE(TV) Ch. 25
2450 kW ERP; 395m HAAT, DA
Grade B Contour; 64 dBu F(50,50)
Population = 18,124,191; Area = 19,220 km²

WNET(TV), Ch. 13
60.3 kW ERP; 500.0 m HAAT; Non-D
Grade B Contour; 56 dBu F(50,50)
Population = 19 801 832; Area = 28 640 k

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WNJB-DT Ch. 8

20.2 kw ERP; 212 m HAAT, DA

Noise-Limited Contour; 36 dBu, F(50,90)

Population = 19,380,247; Area = 24,760 km²

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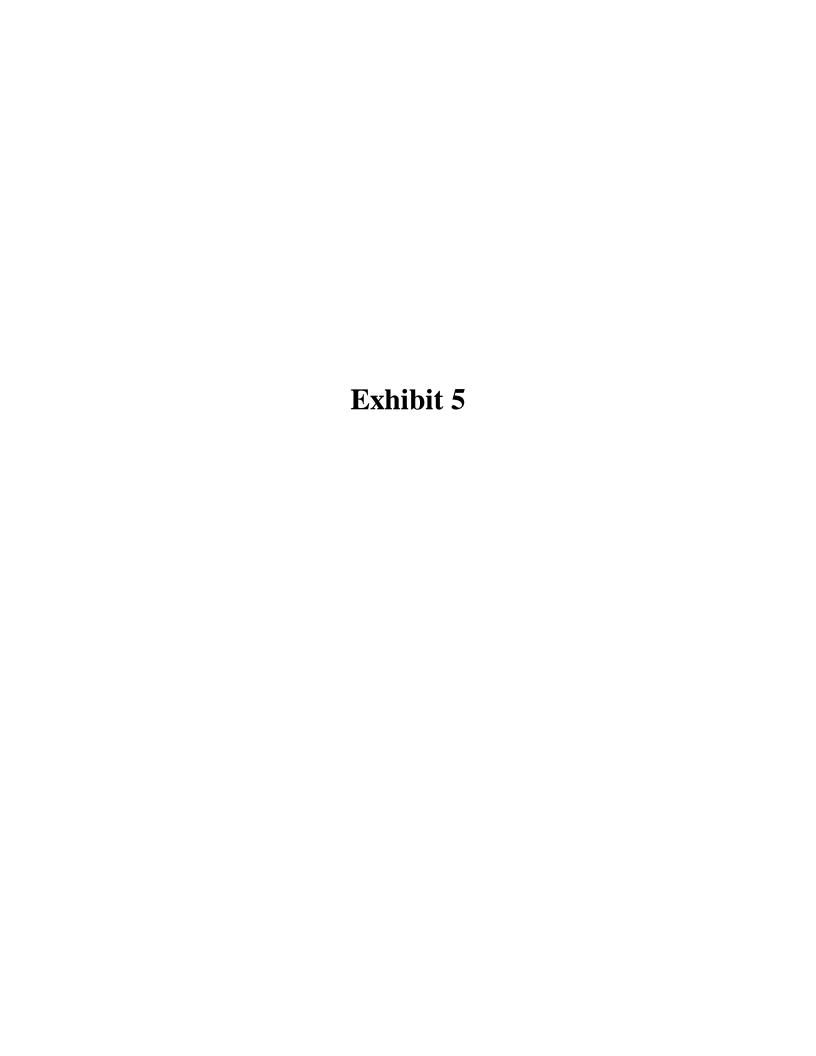
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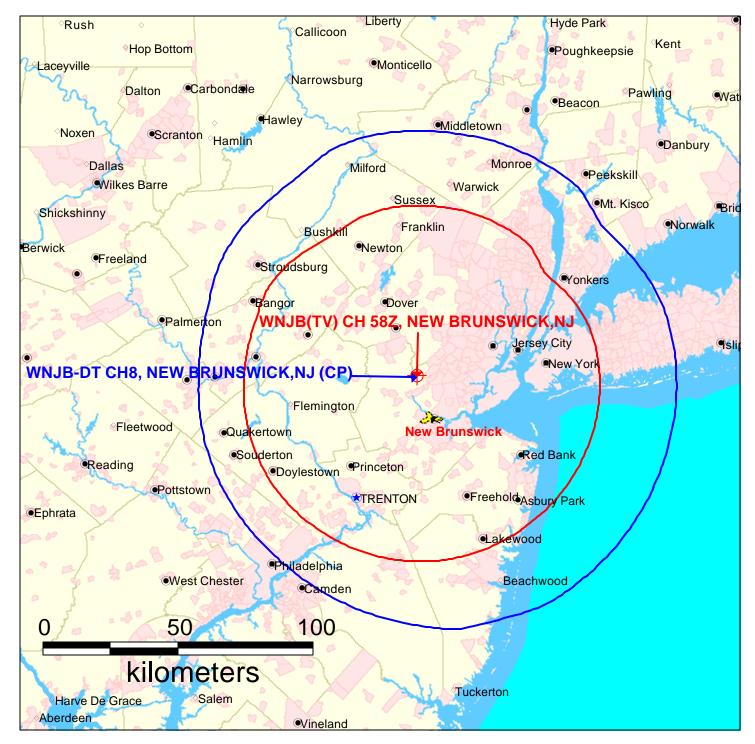


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County	Population
Bergen, NJ	884,118
Bronx, NY	1,332,711
Dutchess, NY	383
Essex, NJ	793,633
Fairfield, CT	612,779
Hudson, NJ	608,975
Hunterdon, NJ	68,200
Kings, NY	2,465,896
Mercer, NJ	7,970
Middlesex, NJ	744,899
Monmouth, NJ	552,473
Morris, NJ	470,212
Nassau, NY	1,336,799
New York, NY	1,537,066
Orange, NY	178,951
Passaic, NJ	489,049
Putnam, NY	73,987
Queens, NY	2,224,917
Richmond, NY	443,704
Rockland, NY	286,753
Somerset, NJ	296,763
Suffolk, NY	1,095,398
Sussex, NJ	138,581
Union, NJ	522,541
Warren, NJ	33,908
Westchester, NY	923,525
Total WNYE(TV) Grade B Pop	18,124,191

County	Population	
Bergen, NJ	884,118	
Bronx, NY	1,332,711	
Bucks, PA	177,221	
Burlington, NJ	61,168	
Dutchess, NY	41,574	
Essex, NJ	793,633	
Fairfield, CT	797,276	
Hudson, NJ	608,975	
Hunterdon, NJ	121,150	
Kings, NY	2,465,896	
Mercer, NJ	350,748	
Middlesex, NJ	750,225	
Monmouth, NJ	615,238	
Monroe, PA	213	
Morris, NJ	470,212	
Nassau, NY	1,336,799	
New Haven, CT	15,135	
New York, NY	1,537,066	
Northampton, PA	4,128	
Ocean, NJ	420,807	
Orange, NY	311,207	
Passaic, NJ	489,049	
Pike, PA	7,413	
Putnam, NY	94,958	
Queens, NY	2,224,917	
Richmond, NY	443,704	
Rockland, NY	286,753	
Somerset, NJ	297,273	
Suffolk, NY	1,195,767	
Sussex, NJ	144,166	
Union, NJ	522,541	
Warren, NJ	76,266	
Westchester, NY	923,525	
Total WNET(TV) 64dBu Pop	19,801,832	

County	Population
Bergen, NJ	884,118
Bronx, NY	1,332,711
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Burlington, NJ	332,367
Camden, NJ	75
Essex, NJ	793,633
Fairfield, CT	35,326
Hudson, NJ	608,975
Hunterdon, NJ	122,219
Kings, NY	2,465,896
Lehigh, PA	66,456
Mercer, NJ	350,748
Middlesex, NJ	750,225
Monmouth, NJ	615,238
Monroe, PA	74,822
Montgomery, PA	333,270
Morris, NJ	470,212
Nassau, NY	1,336,799
New York, NY	1,537,066
Northampton, PA	237,350
Ocean, NJ	436,323
Orange, NY	137,698
Passaic, NJ	489,049
Philadelphia, PA	456,778
Pike, PA	27,131
Putnam, NY	56
Queens, NY	2,224,917
Richmond, NY	443,704
Rockland, NY	286,753
Somerset, NJ	297,273
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Union, NJ	522,541
Warren, NJ	102,437
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Total WNJC-DT 36dbu Pop	19,380,247





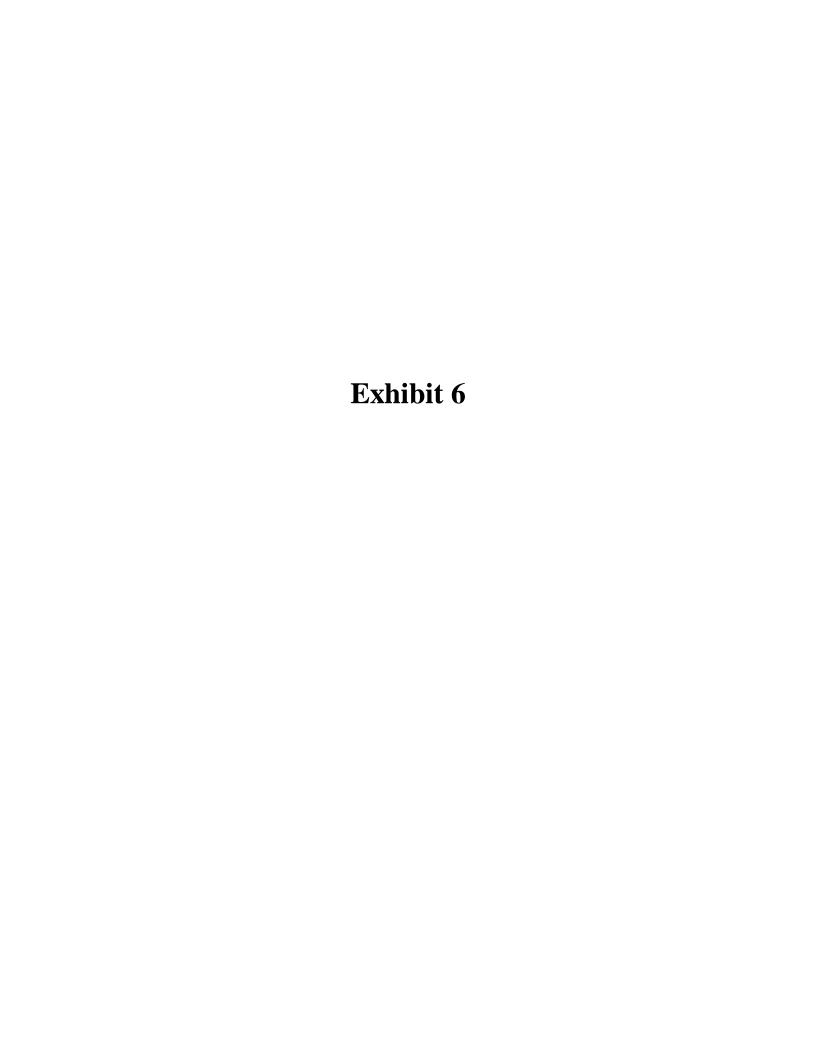
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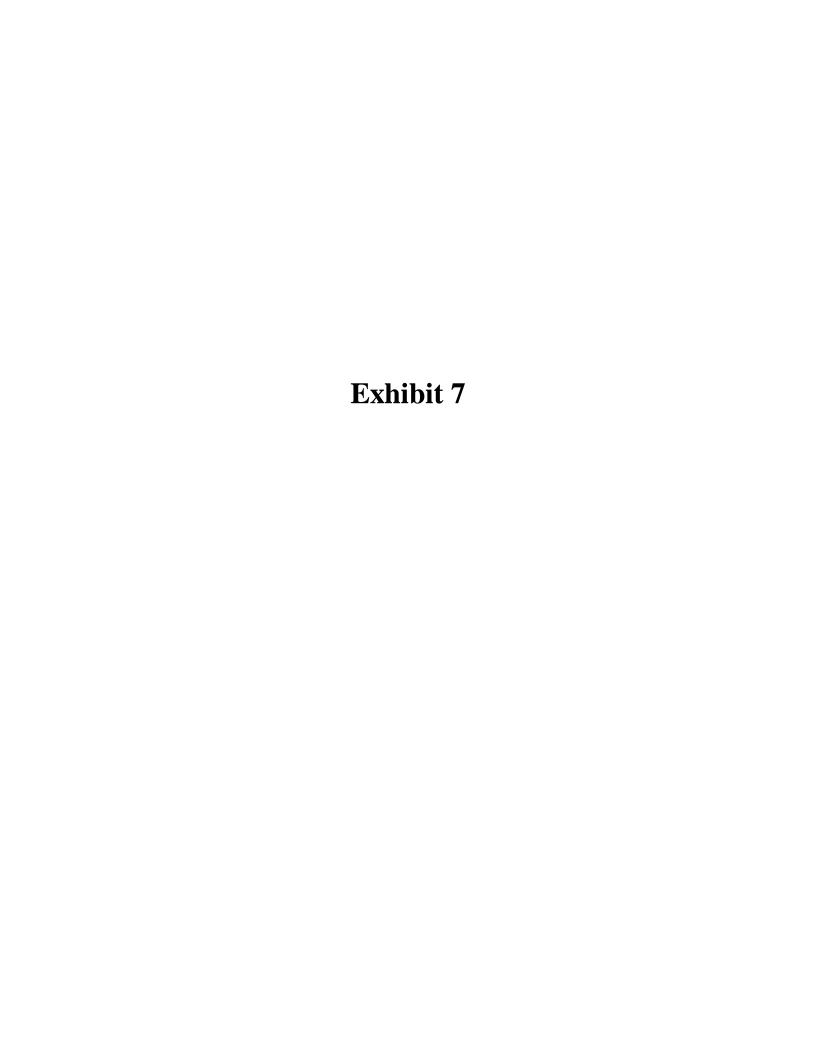
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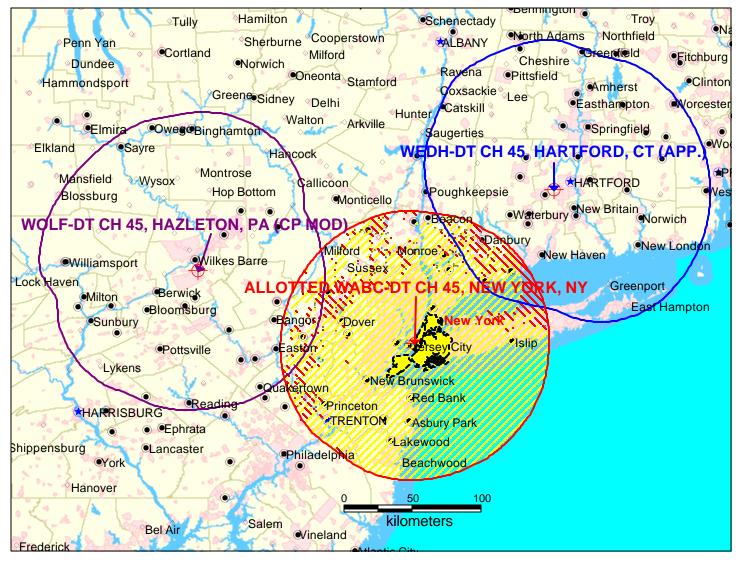
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WEDH-DT ON CH. 45, HARTFORD, CT (APP.) Predicted Principal Community Coverage F(50,90) - 41 dBu - 465 kW, 505 m HAAT, 604 m RCAMSL, 65933 D-ANT

WOLF-DT ON CH. 45, HAZLTON, PA (CP MOD)
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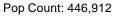


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Pop Count: 18,870,008



STRONGEST_SIGNAL -100 to 15 dB Area: 1,729 Sq. Km





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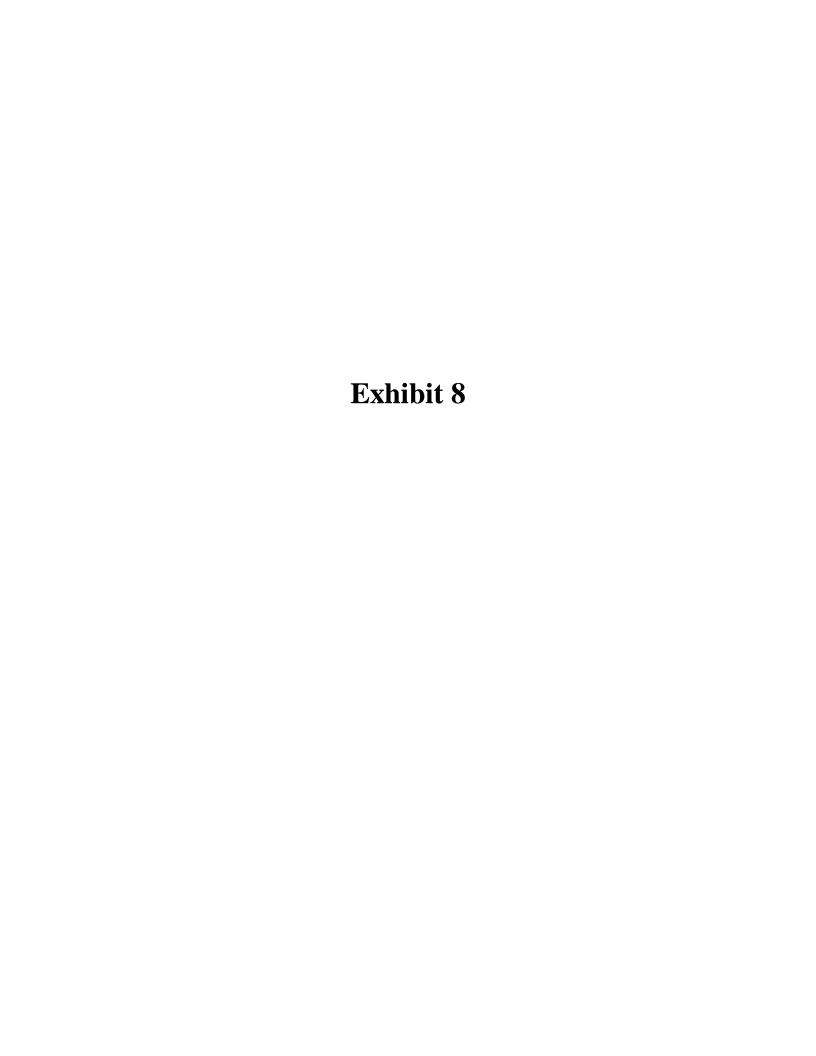
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Bucks, PA	22,297
Burlington, NJ	6,831
Dutchess, NY	1,084
Fairfield, CT	136,894
Hunterdon, NJ	9,126
Mercer, NJ	2,185
Morris, NJ	13,399
Nassau, NY	370
New Haven, CT	20,297
Northampton, PA	340
Orange, NY	25,266
Passaic, NJ	3,109
Pike, PA	102
Putnam, NY	8,939
Rockland, NY	86
Somerset, NJ	657
Suffolk, NY	185,915
Sussex, NJ	18,834
Warren, NJ	3,125
Westchester, NY	8,056
Total Pop Count	466,912

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STRONGEST_SIGNAL 15 to 200 dB

Area: 23,890 Sq. Km Pop Count: 18,870,008

County	Population		
Bergen, NJ	884,118		
Bronx, NY	1,332,711		
Bucks, PA	176,899		
Burlington, NJ	62,479		
Dutchess, NY	3,718		
Essex, NJ	793,633		
Fairfield, CT	566,560		
Hudson, NJ	608,975		
Hunterdon, NJ	87,734		
Kings, NY	2,465,896		
Mercer, NJ	342,691		
Middlesex, NJ	750,225		
Monmouth, NJ	615,238		
Monroe, PA	0		
Morris, NJ	449,229		
Nassau, NY	1,336,429		
New Haven, CT	0		
New York, NY	1,537,066		
Northampton, PA	921		
Ocean, NJ	427,972		
Orange, NY	97,445		
Passaic, NJ	483,868		
Pike, PA	663		
Putnam, NY	62,522		
Queens, NY	2,224,917		
Richmond, NY	443,704		
Rockland, NY	284,540		
Somerset, NJ	296,616		
Suffolk, NY	1,023,072		
Sussex, NJ	61,991		
Union, NJ	522,541		
Warren, NJ	16,270		
Westchester, NY	909,365		
Total Pop Count	18,870,008		





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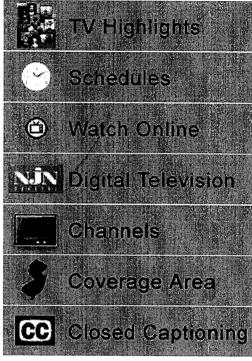


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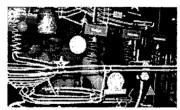
Classroom Close-up, NJ is a magazine program focusing on innovative education in New Jersey's public schools. This 30-minute weekly series features the students, teachers, and communities who create and participate in successful school projects and events. Highlights include an update on health and physical education, parental involvement programs, and arts education. Also watch for Parent Tips ranging from Bus Safety to Nutrition to Conflict Resolution.

- For More Information about a topic you've seen on Classroom Closeup, NJ, check out our alphabetical list of resources.
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Coming up:



Monday, August 8 at 6:30 pm Saturday, August 13 at 7 am Show 8 Passport Traveling Teacher Cybliography



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New Jersey Jobs

Jobs and How to Find Them

In a joint initiative by NJN and the NJ Department of Personnel (DOP), NJN broadcasts New Jersey Jobs, daily reports informing viewers of civil service job vacancies throughout the state. These one-minute reports of vacancies with government agencies premiered April 1, 1998 with jobs posted **each weeknight at 6:27 pm** following NJN News. New Jersey Jobs will continue indefinitely as a regular feature following the 6:00 pm news broadcast.

The video job postings enable the DOP to reach a wide range of job seekers across the state more cost-effectively than advertising would. For people who do not use computers, the televised postings will provide access to job information posted on the DOP website.

When viewers see a job opening they are interested in, they can call the job bank phone number (609-777-0916) provided on the screen for more information on the civil service vacancies. Applicants will be able to register for an examination over the phone.

For general information, viewers can contact: **New Jersey Department of Personnel** at (609) 292-4144. Website www.state.nj.us/personnel/

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- * How the PGA Championship is impacting the lives of nearby residents.



Details on these and other stories tonight at 6:00, 7:30 and 11:00 pm on NJN News

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Politics



NJN News covers both state and national politics, finding and reporting the stories most important to the people of New Jersey. (more)

Science



From the dunes on the beach to the cicadas in the trees, when a scientist in New Jersey studies it, Patrick Regan will report it on NJN News. (more)

Environment



Ed Rodgers covers the top environmental issues in the state, from protecting threatened and endangered species to pollutants in the air and water. (more)

Health



Sara Lee Kessler reports on Healthwatch on NJN News each Tuesday and Thursday. Find out even more about the issues here. (more)



Senior Anchor

April 18 - Kent Manahan taped a special NJN News program featuring Mikhail Gorbachev, former President of the USSR, at Seton Hall University. The program Gorbachev Remembers aired May 5 and May 8. May 24 - Kent Manahan was at Jasna Polana in Princeton to receive the prestigious Barbara Boggs Sigmund Award for her work in journalism, the community and on the issue of domestic violence. In 1985 and 1995, Ms. Manahan was the host of national documentaries on the problem of domestic violence and its effects on

June 16 - Kent Manahan was the emcee at the Circle of Honor Gala for St. Elizabeth College in Convent Station, NJ. The Gala, celebrating Scholarship & Excellence, honored Al Gamper, NJN Foundation Trustee and former President & CEO of CIT, for service and accomplishment.

As Senior Anchor of NJN News, Kent Manahan has established a reputation for excellence in broadcast journalism. And her commitment to the State of New Jersey extends well beyond a journalist's concerns particularly in the area of education. She was named spokesperson for the Literacy Volunteers of America in New Jersey. Ms. Manahan can often be found speaking to statewide community organizations and groups of students, encouraging their scholastic and vocational endeavors.

NJN's News and Public Affairs Department produces a wide spectrum of television programs to meet the broadcast informational needs of New Jersey citizens. The centerpiece production is NJN News, which for more than a quarter-century has been and continues to be the only news organization, print or broadcast, that unites the Garden State. NJN News' distinctive style of quality reporting on breaking news and substantive issues is unparalleled in the region. Its' team of broadcast journalists have been covering the New Jersey beat for more than two decades, and their unmatched experience brings a unique perspective to the New Jersey story.

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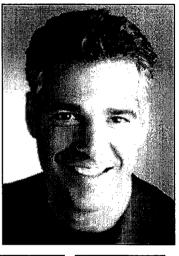
(a) Watch this week archived Caucus New Jersey online

Caucus: New Jersey With Steve Adubato, an award-winning public affairs program, is co-produced by NJN, Caucus Educational Corporation, Rutgers-Newark and Thirteen/WNET, New York. The series covers many topics that concern New Jerseyans, including the death penalty, the future of children in New Jersey, race relations and the homeless. The program has also presented special series dealing with specific issues.

Caucus: New Jersey With Steve Adubato premiered on NJN in 1991. The program airs on NJN Sundays at 8:30 am and is rebroadcast Mondays at 11:30 pm. Caucus: New Jersey With Steve Adubato is hosted by 1995 Mid-Atlantic Regional Emmy Award winner Steve Adubato, who also serves as Executive Producer.

Contact: Caucus: New Jersey @ 973-233-9890

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Watch this week archived Reporters Roundtable online

Friday, August 12 at 6:30 pm and Sunday, August 14 at 10:00 am Host:

Michael Aron Guests:

Jim Goodman, The Times Steve Kornacki, PoliticsNJ.com Kaitlin Gurney, The Philadelphia Inquirer John Tamara, Gannett New Jersey

Topics:

Gubernatorial race polls. Doug Forrester's insurance company, court decision on the state budget.



Reporters Roundtable With Michael Aron provides viewers with an in-depth examination of the issues reported on the front pages of the state's leading newspapers by the journalists who report the news. Reporters from the state's leading newspapers discuss New Jersey politics, policy and news and offer insight beyond what is printed in the newspaper. The program premiered in 1989 as part of the network's election coverage efforts.

Reporters Roundtable With Michael Aron airs Fridays at 6:30 p.m. and is rebroadcast Sundays at 10:00 a.m. The program is hosted by NJN News Senior Political Correspondent Michael Aron, who also serves as Executive Producer. Series Producer is Ed Rodgers.

Contacts:

Series Producer - Ed Rodgers (609) 777-5195 Producer and Host - Michael Aron (609) 777-5199

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Watch this month's show online

NJN's new and exclusive public affairs interview series, Congress Watch, features comprehensive, in-depth interviews with members of Congress from New Jersey. The state's thirteen members of the United States House of Representatives, along with its two United States Senators will be given the opportunity to share their insights into the major issues facing the nation. Congress Watch is produced by NJN's award-winning News and Public Affairs team.



Congressman Rush Holt holt.house.gov

Sunday, July 17 at 11:30 am and Thursday, July 21 at 11:30 pm

Host: Marie DeNoia

Guest: Rush Holt, 12th Congressional District

Topics: Rep. Rush Holt, Democrat - Hopewell, discusses the BRAC commission's recommendations to close

Fort Monmouth and the battle ahead to save the base from the Pentagon Budget ax.

Archives



Congressman James Saxton www.house.gov/saxton

Airdate: June 19, 2005 Host: Marie DeNoia

Guest: James Saxton, 3rd Congressional District

Topics: Rep. Jim Saxton, Republican - Mount Holly, is a ranking member of the House Armed Services committee and as such has survived several BRAC processes. He tells NJN News' Marie DeNoia how he successfully fought the previous proposed NJ base closure.



Congressman Frank Pallone www.house.gov/pallone

Airdate: May 15, 2005 Host: Michael Aron

Guest: Frank Pallone, 6th Congressional District

Topics: Rep. Frank Pallone, Democrat - Long Branch, discusses the high cost of gasoline prices and how the

latest energy bill in congress might help ease prices.

Airdate: March 13, 2005 Host: Marie DeNoia

Guest: Congressman Mike Ferguson, 7th Congressional District

Topics: Social Security reform, President Bush's recent NJ visit to pitch his Social Security privatization plan,

and the newly proposed FY '06 federal budget.

Watch a preview of Congressman Ferguson's interview



Congressman Mike Ferguson www.house.gov/ferguson



Representative Steve Rothman rothman.house.gov

Airdate: February 13, 2005

Host: Jim Hooker

Guest: Rep. Steve Rothman, 9th Congressional District

Topics: Newly proposed federal budget, Social Security reform and the recent Teterboro Airport plane crash

and its implications on aviation guidelines

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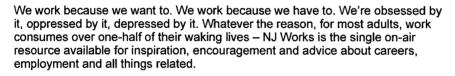
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Co-producing this dynamic series with NJN is The Employment Channel, a production company specializing in career management and recruitment. Thanks to this innovative public-private partnership, along with New Jersey Department of Labor and Workforce Development, NJN continues to offer its viewers programming that enriches, educates, inspires and empowers.

Wednesdays at 6:30 pm; rebroadcast Saturdays at 9:00 am.

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Sunday, August 14 at 9 am and 11 am; Monday, August 15 at 6:30 am Host:

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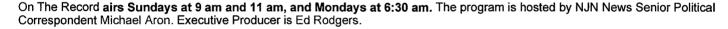
Guests:

Tom Wilson, Republican State Committee Chairman Assemblywoman Bonnie Watson Coleman, Democratic State Committee Chair

New Jersey Gubernatorial Race.

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1984.



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A ten-part series of half-hour television programs on New Jersey history, co-produced by NJN Public Television & Radio and the New Jersey Historical Commission

1. Fortunes in Furs

Narrated by Celeste Holm

For centuries, the Lenape Indians lived on the land that would become New Jersey. However, their way of life began to change in 1609 when Henry Hudson explored the Atlantic shoreline. Anticipating potential fortunes from the fur trade, the Dutch established the colony of New Netherland. They soon came into conflict with the Lenape, and then with the English and the Swedes, who also sought control of the region. The program ends with the 1664 English conquest of New Netherland.

2. The Two New Jerseys Narrated by Celeste Holm

After the English conquest of New Netherland, King Charles II of Britain granted the former Dutch territories to his brother James, Duke of York, who divided the colony into New York and New Jersey. James gave New Jersey to his friends, John, Lord Berkeley, and Sir George Carteret, who sold their shares to other investors, known as proprietors. In 1676, the colony was divided into East and West Jersey. From the outset, the two New Jerseys were beset with problems. In 1702, the proprietors asked the crown to take over the government, reuniting New Jersey.

3. Royal Rule and Religious Revival Narrated by Celeste Holm

The reunion of New Jersey did not solve its problems. New Jersey shared a governor with New York, Lord Cornbury, who aroused the ire of many New Jerseyans. In 1738, New Jersey obtained its own governor, Lewis Morris. Land ownership continued to be disputed. resulting in widespread rioting. At the same time, a religious revival known as the Great Awakening spread throughout the British colonies, resulting in the founding of Rutgers and Princeton universities. African Americans and Native Americans were drawn into the Awakening. In challenging established church authorities, the revival helped pave the road to the American Revolution.



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4. The Republican Rebellion

Narrated by John T. Cunningham

New Jersey was the Crossroads of the American Revolution, being strategically located between the British military headquarters in New York City and the Continental Congress meeting in Philadelphia, This program examines protests in New Jersey against the Stamp Act and other British imperial measures, the passage of New Jersey's first state constitution in 1776, Washington's stunning victories over the British at the battles of Trenton and Princeton, and the effects of the Revolution on women and African-Americans.

5. Monopolies and Mechanics Narrated by John T. Cunningham



Alexander Hamilton's vision of a manufacturing center at the Falls of the Passaic River lays the

groundwork for a discussion of the founding of the Society for Establishing Useful Manufactures in Paterson in 1791. The program looks at the chartering of corporations and the granting of transportation monopolies to steamboat and railroad companies and how these monopolies became a major political issue during the Jacksonian period in New Jersey. The so-called Market Revolution resulted in a fissure in the unified world of masters, journeymen and apprentices of the colonial period. The early organization of unions, the development of a political movement of workers and the lives of women and children working in the textile mills are explored. The documentary examines how the Market Revolution changed home life as well as work life, resulting in a new definition of women's roles.

6. Vistas of Democracy

Narrated by John T. Cunningham

The American Revolution unleashed a flurry of new ideas about freedom and equality. But not everyone in the early nineteenth century enjoyed these rights. New Jersey gradually abolished slavery in 1804, but while women and free blacks who owned property could vote under New Jersey's 1776 constitution, that right was taken away in 1807. African Americans and Quakers helped slaves from the South escape through New Jersey on the Underground Railroad. After the Civil War, the women's movement split over the Fourteenth and Fifteenth Amendments to the U. S. Constitution, which guaranteed the right to vote to African American men, but not to women.

7. A State of Many Nations

Narrated by John T. Cunningham

New Jersey has been ethnically and religiously diverse since colonial times, but the colonial religious denominations were mostly Protestant. In the early nineteenth century, immigration shifted to Germany and Ireland. Many of these newcomers were Catholics who settled in New Jersey's cities and brought with them the tradition of drinking beer and wine on the Sabbath, shocking the Protestant establishment. Middle-class reformers attempted to "Americanize" the German and Irish immigrants by promoting temperance and using the newly created public schools to make the immigrants into good Americans (meaning Protestants). The German and Irish immigrants resisted these attempts to use the public schools for religious proselytizing and created their own parochial school system, requesting the state to provide funds for their schools as well.

8. Technology in the Garden

Narrated by John T. Cunningham

In 1876, Thomas Alva Edison opened his so-called "invention factory" on a hill in Menlo Park overlooking the Pennsylvania Railroad tracks. Between 1876 and 1882 Edison filed more than 300 patents, including the phonograph, the motion picture camera and the electric light. There were, however, social implications for technological development. When Paterson broad-silk manufacturer Henry Doherty increased the work assignments from two to four looms, his weavers went on strike with the support of the radical Industrial Workers of the World.

9. The Progressive Banner

Hosted by John T. Cunningham

In the gubernatorial election of 1910 the Democratic Party nominated the president of Princeton University, Woodrow Wilson. As governor, Wilson proposed reforms, including direct primary elections, banning of ballot box stuffing, an authority to regulate public utilities and a workmen's compensation act. Despite his reputation as a reformer, as president of Princeton, Wilson continued policies that denied admission of African Americans; and, as governor of New Jersey, Wilson was reluctant to support woman's suffrage.

10. The Suburban State

Hosted by John T. Cunningham

The second half of the twentieth century witnessed a major of shift in political power in New Jersey. In the early 1900s, a coalition of rural Republicans and urban Democrats controlled state politics. In the second half, the century political power shifted to the suburbs. The new state constitution of 1947 established a powerful Supreme Court, which became a flashpoint for controversy in the last half of the twentieth century.

Lou Presti, NJN Public Television Producer David S. Cohen, NJ Historical Commission Producer

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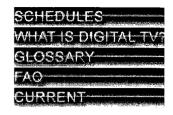
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NJN Digital offers twenty-four hour-a-day viewing of PBS and original New Jerseyfocused programs.

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NJN-2 - PBS-KIDS (12am - 8pm)

Schedule - pbskids.org/whatson

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- · State of the Arts
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- Congress Watch
- · Images/Imagenes
- Another View
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ABOUT THE SHOW

Images/Imagenes has covered cultural events and issues facing New Jersey's Latino community since its premiere in 1972. It is the longest running Hispanic affairs program in the PBS system and one of the longest running television programs of its kind in the country.

The Emmy Award-winning series examines the issues, trends and concerns important to the Latino community with field pieces from New Jersey and beyond and in-depth studio interview with leaders of the Latino community. In conjunction with the series, NJN produces the annual Hispanic Youth Showcase, a talent show where Latino youths from New Jersey, New York and Pennsylvania compete for scholarships.

Executive Producer - William Sanchez Host - Leida Arce Field Correspondent - Cristina Lucuski

Airs Thursdays at 6:30 pm. with rebroadcast Sundays at 8:00 am.



30 YEARS OF EXCELLENCE

 January 6, 1972, Images/Imagenes goes on the air on New Jersey Network under the title of "Mi Casa Su Casa" (My house is your house). It becomes the second Latino program on PBS following in the footsteps of Channel 13's "Realidades" which aired in 1971 and folded in 1973.

FIRST FOR IMAGES/IMAGENES & NJN

- In 1974, IMAGES/IMAGENES' wins first national PBS award with production of the documentary "The Picnic" featuring the life of a Latino prisoner at Rahway State Prison.
- In 1985, IMAGES/IMAGENES wins first Emmy Award for NJN in New York with a parental education series titled: "Sembrando El Futuro" (Seeding the future).
- In 1985, IMAGES/IMAGENS wins first national Unity Award beating out Peter Jennings' ABC World News Tonight
- In 1987, IMAGES/IMAGENES becomes the largest contributor of Latino programs to 96 PBS stations airing the series "Presente" from The Latino Consortium. The host for the series is Rita Moreno.
- In 1988, IMAGES/IMAGENES is selected by PBS to represent the Public Broadcasting System in Europe, the Caribbean and South America
- In 1988, IMAGES/IMAGENES is selected and distributed by the United States Armed Forces as a program for viewing by soldiers stationed in countries all over the world including Korea and Japan.

- From 1985 to 2001, IMAGES/IMAGENES begins a string of 14 Emmy Award nominations in both Philadelphia and New York
- In the year 2000, IMAGES/IMAGENES wins the Mid-Atlantic Emmy Award for outstanding children's programming with the NJN Hispanic Youth Showcase
- In 2000, IMAGES/IMAGENES is given recognition by the International Latin Music Hall of Fame
- 2001, IMAGES/IMAGENES' programs, LATINOS IN BOXING SANTOS DE PALO, reached the finals of the international Latino Film Festival in San Antonio, Texas. It is the first time in seven years that show went up against international competition.

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 The State of New Jersey General Assembly
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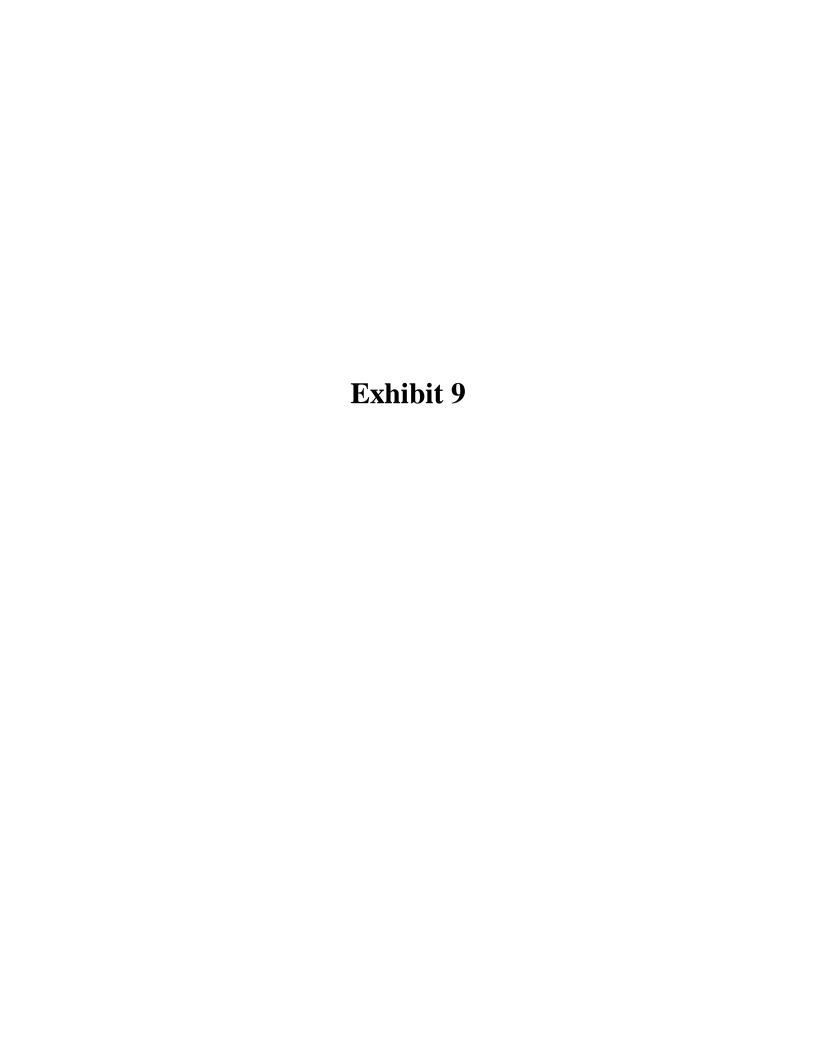
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August 2, 2005

Elizabeth Christopherson Executive Director & CEO New Jersey Public Television and Radio P.O. Box 777 Trenton, New Jersey 08625

Dear Ms. Christopherson:

I enjoyed speaking with you earlier this week. I wanted to follow up in writing to give you more details about the interference issues between our stations that I briefly described. As you know, WABC has enjoyed a positive relationship with WNJB, and we hope to engage in a productive discussion that will resolve these issues in a manner that meets both our interests.

As you are aware, the Federal Communications Commission recently acted upon the "first round" channel elections submitted by commercial and noncommercial television stations across the country. In these election forms, each station selected its choice for its ultimate digital channel (after analog broadcasts cease). In June 2005, the FCC tentatively approved the channel election of WNJB-DT, New Brunswick, New Jersey ("WNJB"), licensed to the New Jersey Public Broadcasting Authority ("NJPBA"), for channel 8, its current digital channel. In granting its approval, the FCC did not consider the interference that WNJB would have on other stations (including WABC) because, under its current procedure, the FCC automatically approved the election of any station that chose to stay on its current digital channel. At the same time, the FCC sent a letter ("Conflict Letter") to WABC tentatively disapproving of its election of channel 7 (its current analog channel) because, according to the FCC, WABC's operations on channel 7 would result in 2.8% interference to WNJB's channel 8 facilities. In order to resolve this situation, we would like to discuss a solution to the interference problem that enables both of our stations to continue serving their core audiences.

We first would like to discuss an agreement between our stations regarding levels of acceptable interference. As a related matter, we also would like to discuss technical changes that could reduce interference from WNJB-DT to WABC-DT without having a detrimental impact on WNJB-DT's ability to serve its core audience. In order to facilitate these discussions, we are providing you with several maps attached to this letter, each of which is explained below.

Map #1 demonstrates that WABC-DT creates virtually no unique interference to WNJB-DT (the minimal interference due to WABC-DT is shown in purple). In other words, the 2.8%

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interference identified by the FCC is completely masked by other stations' interference to WNJB-DT. Thus, we hope NJPBA will be amenable to accepting the interference from WABC-DT because it already will receive interference to those same households from at least one other station. Further, virtually all of the interference from WABC-DT to WNJB-DT is to households outside of New Jersey. In addition, the few New Jersey households that would receive interference to service from WNJB-DT seem to be served by NJPBA's sister station in Montclair, New Jersey, WNJN-DT. Thus, even if the interference from WABC-DT is considered "unique," it should be of minimal concern to NJPBA because it affects very few households in New Jersey, all of who receive NJPBA's service from Montclair. We would like the opportunity to discuss these issues with you further at your earliest convenience.

We also would like to discuss ways to reduce the predicted interference from WNJB-DT to WABC-DT. The red squares in map #2 represent this interference to WABC-DT. We believe that this interference could be reduced without having a detrimental impact on WNJB-DT's service to its core New Jersey audience. For example, one technical solution involving a reduction in power and directional antenna would greatly reduce this interference, with the only effect on WNJB-DT being slightly less coverage to parts of Queens and Brooklyn, areas outside WNJB-DT's intended reach. Map #3 demonstrates the reduced interference under this approach. We are prepared to show you the details of this approach and others as part of further discussions.

After you have had a chance to review these materials, please contact me at (212) 456-3333 to discuss this matter further. We are eager to resolve this situation in a way that permits both WABC-DT and WNJB-DT to serve their respective viewers. ABC has served its New York area viewers on channel 7 for decades and is committed to continuing this service as much as possible, so that our valued viewers do not lose service. We believe that we can achieve this goal as well as the goal of maintaining the important presence of NJPBA's service to the central New Jersey area. We look forward to working with you toward achievement of these twin goals.

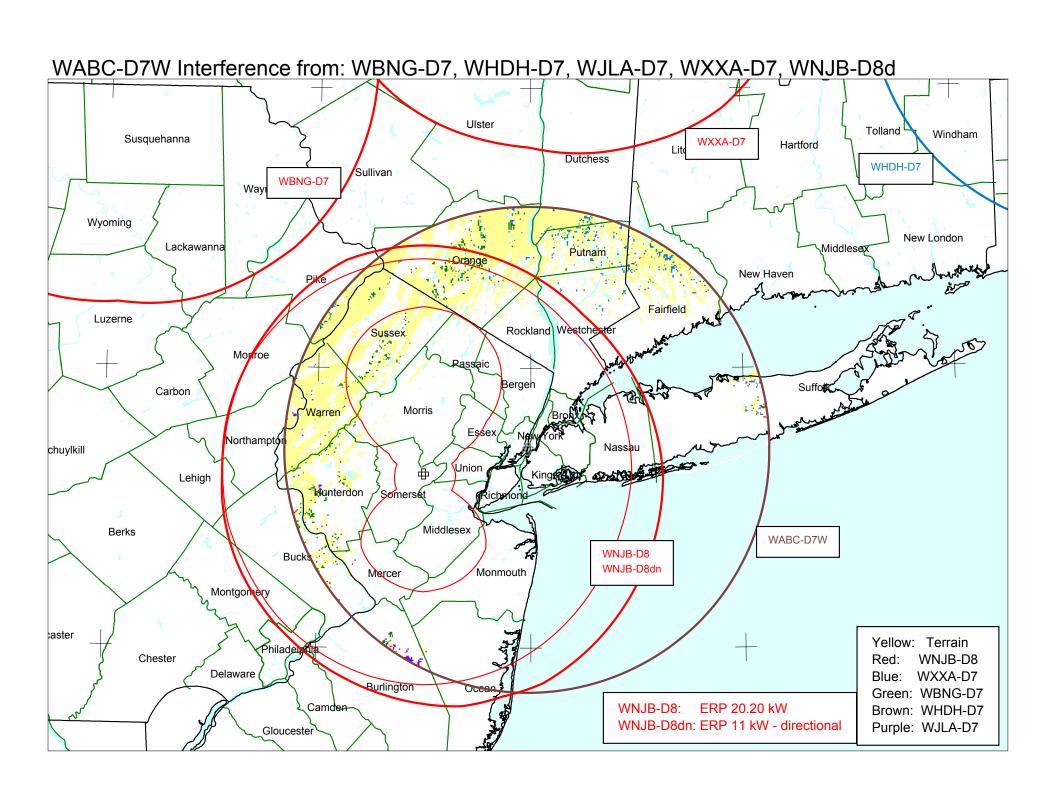
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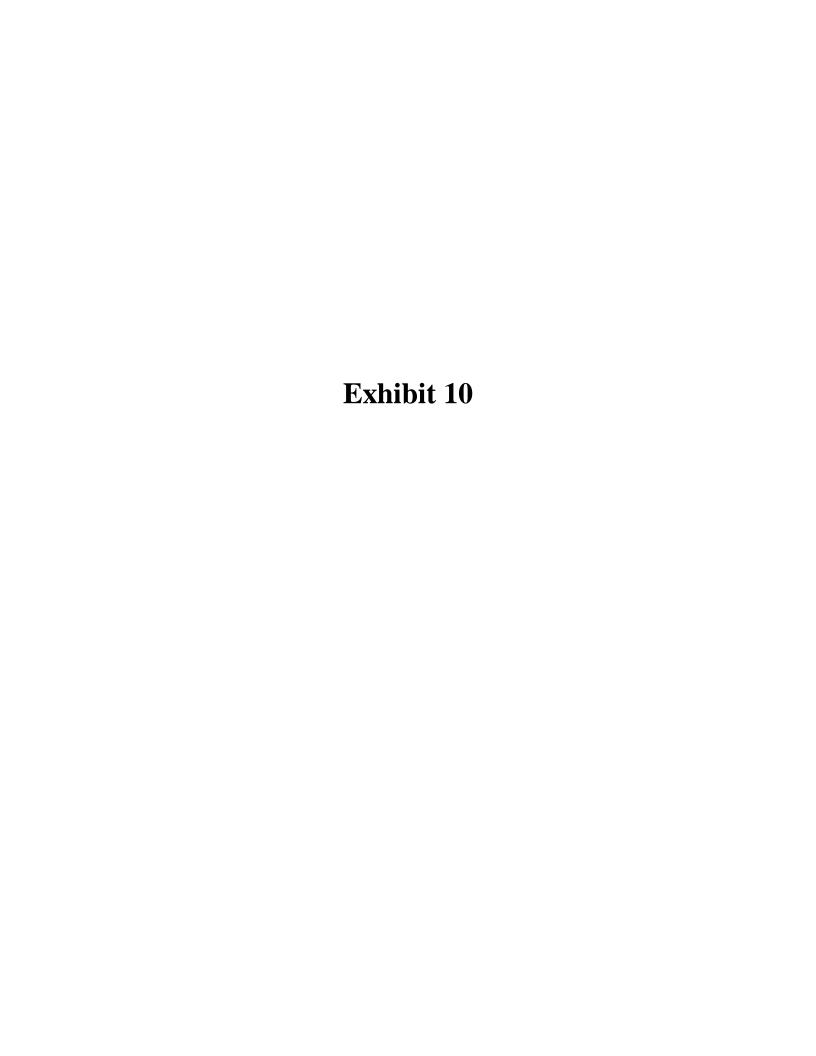
Dave Davis

President and General Manager, WABC(TV) and WABC-DT

WNJB-D8 Interference from WABC-D7-WTC, WGAL-D8, WBPH-D9, WICZ-D8 WICZ-D8 Putnam Orange New Hav Fairfield WBPH-D9 Luzerne Sussex Morroe Bergen ! Carbon Morris Warren Essex kill WBPH-D9 Lehigh Union WNJB-D8 Hunterdon Somerset Richmond WGAL-D8 -> WWOR-D9 WABC-D7 Middlesex WABC-D7 Berks Bucks Monmouth Mercer Montgome WNJB-D8 Philadel Chester Delaware Burlington Ocean Camden. V-Soft Communications ® ©

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August 4, 2005

Mr. David J. Davis
President and General Manager
WABCATY
7 Lincoln Squar
New York NY 10023-5998

Dear David:

As we discussed yesterday, I am responding to your letter and the materials we received Tuesday. I reviewed the materials and shared them with our engineers, Board Chair, and our outside counsel, and we have considered the details of your proposal. As montioned yesterday, the decision to accept interference to any NJN television station or to make significant changes in NJN station technical operations must be reviewed by the Board of the New Jersey Public Broadcasting Authority, as well as other stakeholders, including members of the Executive Branch. Our current Channel 8 DTV alloiment works, particularly well for us; we worked hard to get it. With experience in DTV reception so new, we cannot recommend any agreement to accept additional interference to WNJB-DT, even if it is theoretically masked by other stations' interference. We also see only a downside and no benefit to NJN in your power reductions and directional antenna proposal.

NIN is aware that there might be other long-term technical possibilities that would facilitate ABC's desire to end up on Channel 7 DTV, such as cu-location of WABC-DI and WNJB-DT on channels 7 and 8, for example If the proposal included, at a minimum, enhanced coverage for WNJB-DT, without any expense to NJN for construction, operation, and maintenance of n joint facility, plus additional appropriate compensation, this could be a proposal for the Board to consider. Such a proposal would require considerable engineering and design work. It also does not fit into the FCC's current DTV channel election process, and so it also would entail considerable legal costs. We would expect the proponents of any change to cover all expenses.

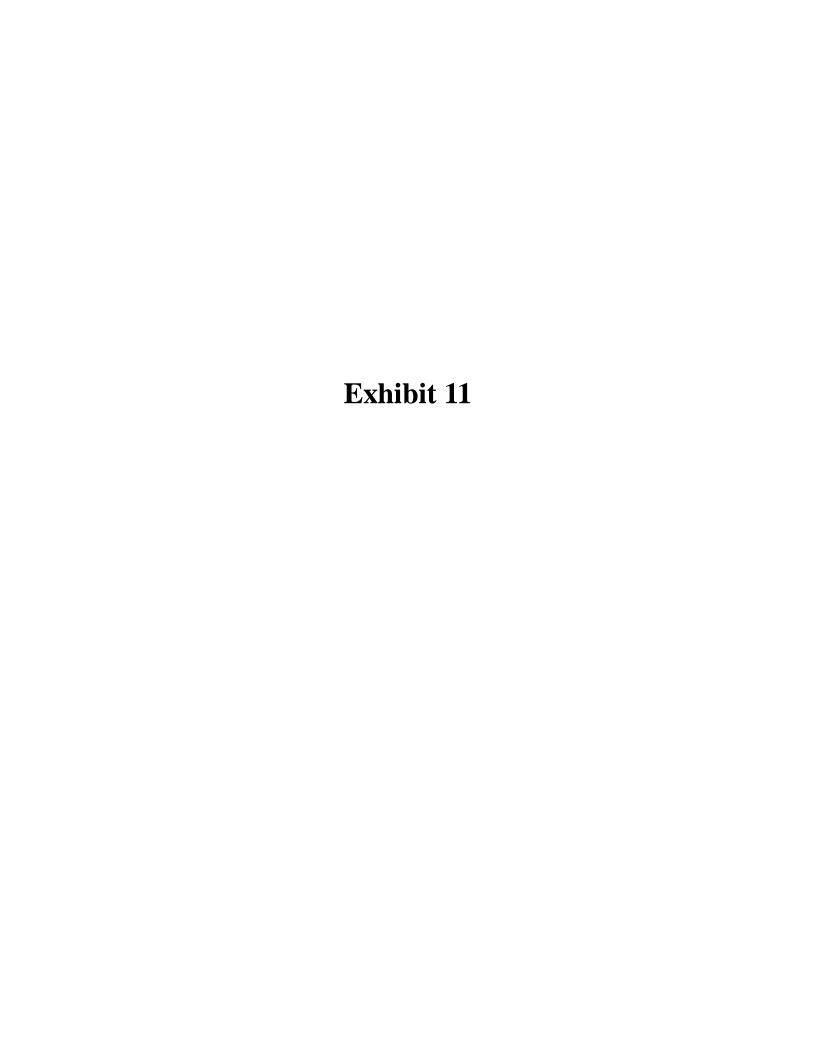
While we are very interested in continuing a positive working relationship with you, we are unable to decept the current proposal you sent this week, and we look forward to talking further.

Sincerely.

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Elizabeth G. Christopherson

c. Scott A. Kobler, Esq., Chair, New Jersey Public Broadcasting Authority



August 10, 2005

Elizabeth Christopherson Executive Director & CEO New Jersey Public Television and Radio P.O. Box 777 Trenton, New Jersey 08625

Dear Ms. Christopherson:

We received your letter of August 4, 2005 in which you rejected our proposal regarding acceptance of interference from WABC-DT, channel 7, to WNJB-DT, channel 8. Thank you for responding in a timely fashion. We offer the following comments in response to your letter.

We have reviewed the long-term alternative you suggest—involving co-location, enhanced coverage for WJNB-DT, and additional compensation to WNJB-DT—but cannot agree to pursue such proposal for several reasons. In essence, your proposal is that your station be added to the New York (and Connecticut) market at our expense, even though that area is not part of your service area and even though that we find ourselves at this juncture only as a result of an FCC DTV allotment process that has been challenging and complicated for *all* the stations in the tri-state area. More specifically, your long-term proposal of co-location is not feasible given that it effectively would require ABC to pay the expenses for the construction, operation and maintenance of two full-power facilities, in perpetuity. We believe that any proposal imposing this type of permanent and costly burden on ABC is not fair or equitable. Similarly, we believe that the portion of your proposal suggesting that ABC provide additional compensation to WNJB-DT beyond its costs is unreasonable, especially given the difficult circumstances that WABC-DT faces, through no fault of its own.

The facilities authorized to WNJB-DT in its current construction permit nearly double the station's existing analog service area. As a result, the station's coverage area is significantly expanded to include over 3 million additional persons within the New York City-area, which we understand are located well beyond WNJB-DT's intended service area in New Jersey. Thus, we believe that your proposal to further increase the coverage of WNJB-DT is both unrealistic and unnecessary.

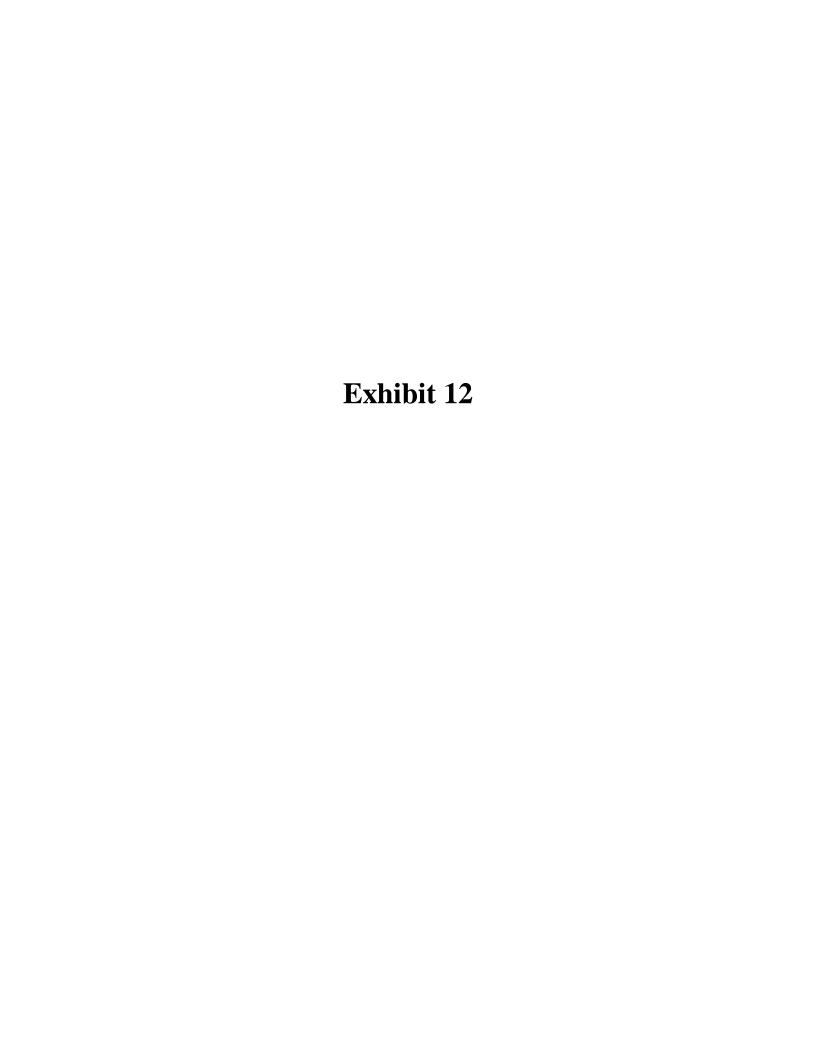
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However, we continue to believe that our initial proposal, as set forth in our August 2, 2005 letter, offers a reasonable and fair way for both of our stations to continue serving their core audiences, which we understand to be the goal of the FCC-coordinated DTV transition. We hope that you will review our proposal again, and seriously evaluate whether it is in our respective best interests to come to an agreement. If your position does not change, please be advised that we may need to seek appropriate relief from the FCC. Please let us know as soon as possible if you would like to enter into discussions, with an eye to amicably resolving the technical impasse that we face.

Sincerely,

Dave Davis

President and General Manager, WABC(TV) and WABC-DT





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August 11, 2005

TELEVISION

Mr. David J. Davis President and General Manager WARC-TV

7 Lincoln Square

New York, NY 10023-5998

Dear Dave:

We have reviewed the letter you sent yesterday concerning your company's wishes that New Jersey Network agree to cut back the authorized facilities of our approved Channel *8 DTV station and also agree to accept prohibited interference from a DTV station you would like to operate on Channel 7 according to your channel selection that has been disapproved by the FCC.

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Just like WABC, we are licensed to serve the public interest. Just like WABC, we want the widest possible viewership and support. As you know, New Jersey has been, since the advent of television, the most locally underserved state in the cumtry. New Jersey Network has filled the void by providing in-depth statewide program service. We have ambitious plans to expand and improve that service in the coming digital age, including differentiating our various program services to provide more program choices. To that end, we adopted a DTV channel plan in 1999 and applied to the FCC for the use of Channel *8 for WNJB-DT. There was no opposition to that plan when the FCC gave public notice of it in 1999, and there was no opposition in 2000 when we asked for modification of our construction permit. We planned shead for years and worked hard to get and maximize operations on Channel *8 because it offers the best hope for better public service.

While it may be your understanding that our coverage in the New York City area is "located well beyond WNJB-DT's intended service area in New Jersey," we are licensed to provide service throughout our coverage area, and we are committed to doing so. Our service does not stop at the state line. We believe that it is very important that news and perspectives of New Jersey be received throughout the area, including by the many people who work in New Jersey but do not live here. Our viewers agree; we have many supporters from the New York City area who materially help to fund our service.

We are satisfied with the status quo. You proposed a plan where we would gratuitously give up part of what we have planned and worked towards for years. That does not make sense to us. We strongly suspect that if another broadcaster approached WABC and asked it to yield part of its service area, you would not have any more favorable reaction. We want you to know that we would, as an alternative and under the right circumstances, discuss colocation, a possibility that could greatly benefit you. If that does not make sense for you there is really no "technical impasse" or need for you to seek "appropriate relicf from the FCC", because you are free to use your allotted DTV Channel 45.

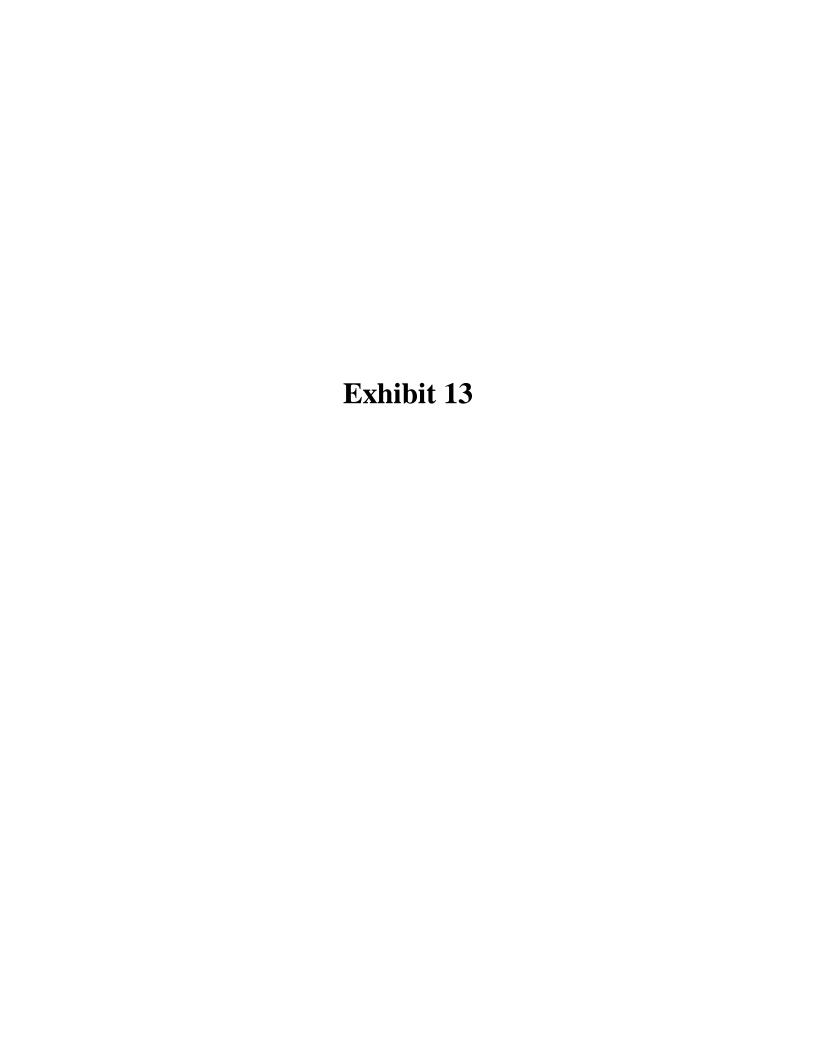
We have enjoyed a mutually cordial relationship with WABC for many years. We certainly would appreciate the opportunity to meet to talk with you about alternatives you may propose.

Sincerely.

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Elizabeth G. Christopherson Executive Director

Scott A. Kobler, Esq., Chair, New Jersey Public Broadcasting Authority





Federal Communications Commission Washington, D.C. 20554

June 7, 2005

IN REPLY REFER TO: 2-A726-NS

AMERICAN BROADCASTING COMPANIES, INC. 77 W 66TH ST FL 16
NEW YORK, NY 10023-6201

Re: WABC

NEW YORK, NY

First Round Channel Election Application

File No. BFRECT-20050209AKQ

Facility ID No. 1328

Dear Applicant:

This is with respect to the above-referenced DTV channel election application filed in the first round of DTV elections, whereby you elect to keep your allotted NTSC channel as your post-transition DTV channel.

In the Second DTV Periodic Review Report and Order in MM Docket No. 03-15, the Commission adopted a multi-step channel election process through which broadcast licensees and permittees select their ultimate DTV channel inside the core (i.e., channels 2-51). In the first round, licensees with in-core channels (either one or two in-core channels) filed First Round Election Forms on February 10, 2005, selecting which assigned channel they prefer to use for digital operations. We have completed our first round interference conflict analysis to determined whether elected NTSC channels would cause more than 0.1% interference in addition to existing interference to: (1) an in-core DTV channel that was elected in the first round; (2) an in-core DTV channel of any licensee that elected its NTSC channel in the first round, which may need to revert to its DTV channel if its elected NTSC channel is not available; or (3) another in-core NTSC channel selected in the first round by a station with an out-of-core DTV channel or a licensee with a single channel.

Our engineering analysis indicates that the proposed digital operation on your elected NTSC channel would result in impermissible interference to the following station(s):

2.8% to elected DTV channel 8, WNJB, NEW BRUNSWICK, NJ

Pursuant to the Second Periodic Review, you have 60 (sixty) days from the date of this letter to file a First Round Conflict Decision Form 383, indicating how you will resolve the above-reference disterference conflict. Licensees with interference conflicts may decide to maintain their in-core NTSC election by reducing their operating facilities to eliminate interference; by negotiating a conflict resolution agreement with the station(s) with which they are in conflict; by

¹ Second Periodic Review of the Commission's Rules and Policies Affecting the Conversion to Digital Television, 19 FCC Red 18,279 (2004).

changing their election to their in-core DTV channel; or by electing to participate in the second round of elections if they are a single "one-in-core" licensee or a "two-low-VHF" licensee (channel 2-6). A licensee may agree to accept interference as long as it is still able to serve all of its community of license.²

If you have any questions, please contact Nazifa Sawez at 202-418-7059. Failure to comply with the requirement of this letter within the time specified herein will result in the denial of your channel election application. A copy of this letter is being sent to each of the affected stations.

Sincerely

Clay C. Pendarvis Associate Chief Video Division Media Buresu

² Second Periodic Review, 19 FCC Red at para 55.

Declaration of Alfred E. Resnick, P.E.

I am a consulting engineer, an employee of the Carl T. Jones Corporation with offices in Springfield, Virginia. My experience and education are a matter of record with the Federal Communications Commission. I am a registered professional engineer in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, PE-027589E.

This office has been authorized to prepare engineering studies and figures in support of the Emergency Request for Waiver filed by American Broadcasting Companies, Inc. and WPIX, Inc. ("Emergency Request").

The engineering data, calculations and maps (i.e., Exhibits 1-7) submitted in support of the Emergency Request were prepared by me or under my direct supervision. Where data were available from the FCC, these data were employed, and, in other instances, accepted engineering practices, Longley-Rice calculations per OET Bulletin 69, February 6, 2004 edition, and other guidelines as contained in the Commission's Rules were employed.

As to these data and results, I verily believe them to be correct.

Alfred E. Regnick, P.E.

Dated: August 15, 2005

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, Aimee Albright, of Akin Gump Strauss Hauer & Feld, LLP, certify that a copy of the foregoing Emergency Request for Waiver filed on behalf of American Broadcasting Companies, Inc., and WPIX, Inc. was served, except as otherwise noted, via first-class mail on this 15th day of August 2005, upon the following:

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